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SHOE FACTORY DANCE WAS MARKED SUCCESS

The greatest community meeting that was ever held in this section, was the dedication of the Sikeston branch of the International Shoe Factory that was held on the first floor of that building Friday evening, December 21. This was a mingling of the masses for certain for the richest and the poorest were there and all on an equal footing. This event has been looked forward to for weeks and at the appointed hour streams of people from every direction begun to arrive and by 8:30 the building was a mass of human beings. Each floor was open for inspection with competent guides to explain the machinery and on the top floor demonstrations on some of the machines were made. Soon after 9:00 o'clock, the Cape Girardeau band marched into the building and gave a concert, after which R. E. Bailey, on behalf of the citizens of Sikeston, turned the building over to the representative of the International Shoe Co., Mr. Blake, who accepted same in a short speech. It was then that the grand march headed by the Cape Girardeau band formed and circled the room several times, after which Stewart's Orchestra from Memphis, Tenn., opened the dance.

The crowd was estimated to be around 2500 and was so great that it was difficult to dance with any degree of pleasure, though the dance room was 40x200 feet. The dance floor was all that could be wished for being of hard maple and covered with parafine and corn meal. Young folks and old alike took advantage of the occasion and tripped the light fantastic toe until 3:00 when the music ceased.

This function was sponsored by the Lions Club and financed by the merchants and citizens of the town and will be an event long remembered in the history of Sikeston.

If the weather had been favorable and the cross roads passable, the crowd would have packed every floor of the building and the 55-acre new addition would have been requisitioned to take care of the overflow.

MODERN WOODMEN ELECT OFFICERS

On Wednesday of last week, the Modern Woodmen of America elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

C. C. White, Consul.
J. A. O'Hara, Adviser.
P. H. Gross, Banker,
P. H Stevenson, Clerk.
Frank Dye, Escort.
Alton Cravens, Watchman.
Geo. Ballard, Sentry.
J. H. Chaney, Trustee 3 years.
Drs. Presnel, Mayfield and Kready, Physicians.

Roy H. Wagner was appointed chief Forester.

On installation night in January, a pie supper with an oyster accompaniment will be played at which time the Woodmen, their families and sweethearts will be expected to be present. And the Editor, also. Watch for the date.

SIKESTON GIRL WINS LINDENWOOD STORY PRIZE

Announcement of a prize Christmas story by Miss Helen Kready of Sikeston, Mo., appears in the current number of the Lindenwood College Bulletin. The title is, "Christmas in Old Lonesome", the plot being laid in a frontier western settlement, where a Christmas celebration came to a realization as an answer to the prayers of a little girl. Miss Margaret Ferguson of Fulton, Mo., received honorable mention in the contest. The prize for the best story is offered annually at Lindenwood, and is open to all the students.

Another annual prize just won is that of the Lindenwood song for 1924. Two competitors, Miss Jessie Schaper, of Washington, Mo., and Miss Virginia Symns of Nevada, Mo., have productions judged of equal merit, and the prize will be divided between them. Something new in competitions is announced by President Roemer, for a song to be written by a member of the faculty. This will close March 1, and carries a prize of $25. The song is to be judged by the ease and spirit with which the student body can sing it.

We have more indolence in the mind than in the body.

ALL FRISCO TRAINS TO STOP AT SIKESTON

Recently The Standard reprinted an article from the Cape Missourian to the effect that a new schedule would be inaugurated on the Frisco at an early date with a fast train each way that would only make four or five stops between St. Louis and Memphis and between Memphis and St. Louis. Sikeston was not to be one of the stops.

The Standard can now say with authority that these trains will stop at Sikeston for certain. The schedule will be so arranged that one can attend the theater in either St. Louis or Memphis and be home for breakfast the following morning. Sikeston is about the second best passenger point on the Frisco between these bg cities and the officials of the road are not going to slight us.

Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Barnes, of Galline, La., will visit Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith.

A fire brgade composed entirely of women has been organized in the village of Aosuna, Japan.

At the recent International Stock and Agricultural Show at Chicago, Theodore Hopper of this vicinity, was honored with a ribbon on St. Charles White corn. There were 10,000 entries alone of the different varieties and this is the first time that St. Charles White ever received a mention in the white corn show. This was an honor for Mr. Hopper that he is very proud of and is an honor that all Southeast Missouri should be proud of.

COL. ARCH GRAY GUEST AT BENTON

Col. Gray, a character about town, was caught by J. H. Hayden and Bill Carson, Monday afternoon, with four pints of Christmas cheer on his person. The officers had been keeping an eye on the crowd and as the Col. looked a little too plump in spots concluded it would be safe to give him the once over with the above results. He was taken to the City Hall and held until arrangements could be made to take him to Benton. An attempt was made by friends here in Sikeston to get him out on bond, but Prosecuting Attorney Barton decided to hold him in jail at Benton for circuit court. The Col. has been under suspicion is why he was caught with the goods on him and he wasn't given a chance to dispose of any of his goods. The officers are rather suspicious that someone higher up furnished Gray with the whiskey and an attempt will be made to uncover his financier.

Charlotte Cameron, woman explorer, will spend eight months in Mexico, studying Azetc ruins with hopes of discovering traces of the lost continent of Atlantis.

The Lions Club of Sikeston distributed a truck load of toys of one kind or another to children of the city Christmas morning. After the close of business Monday night, a committee visited the toy stores and bought in job lots what was left and gave them out to increase the happiness of the little ones. This was commendable in this organization.

PUXICO BANK FAILS TO OPEN

Puxico, Mo., December 24.—The Bank of Puxico was closed today and it is reported that an examiner is on the way here from Jefferson City. No announcement concerning the reason for the bank being closed today has been made here and no report of a shortage of any kind has been heard, reliable sources state. The bank's capital stock is $25,000. D. F. Walser is president of the bank and his son, J. C. Walser is cashier.

CHURCH GIVES CHRISTMAS BASKETS TO THE POOR

The Sikeston Methodist Church, through its members and friends, played Santa Claus to fifty-five families, distributing well-stocked baskets for a Christmas dinner.

This was in keeping with the practice set many years ago and when the provisions were needed. At this time it was not believed there was a family but what was self-sustaining, but these baskets were sent with utmost good will. It is certainly a "habit" that should never die.

Miss Lolita Sackett of Geneva, N. Y., recently admitted to practice before the Federal Court, is reputed to be the youngest woman ever to win this distinction.

Miss Helen Welsh will be the violin soloist of the Choral Club of Charleston at the Cantata to be given in that city tonight. Our Helen is some fiddler and it would be some critical audience that she couldn't please.

SPECIAL MUSIC AT M. E. CHURCH

The musical program at the Methodist Church Sunday forenoon was much enjoyed by a large congregation.n. Mrs. Green Lescher rendered a vocal solo, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", by Harker. Miss Honora Bailey, soloist of Christian College, Columbia Mo., gave a vocal solo, "O, Night Divine" by H. J. Marsh. Mrs. H. J. Welsh, the church organist and director, gave three numbers on the organ as follows: "The Bells of Abrdevey" by Stewart; "The Shepherd and the Mocking Bird", by Berwald; "Christmas Postlude" by Hosmer. These numbers were pronounced to have been of a high order and those who were not present missed a real treat.

A tenant on Dan McCoy's farm, west of Sikeston paid $210 in New Madrid County last week for having in his possesion what he said was slop for his hogs, but what the officers said was mash.

Dr. and Mrs. Leo Schnurbusch left for Perry County, Monday, where they will spend the holidays with relatives. Later the Doctor will go to Davenport, Iowa, where he will take a post graduate course at the chiropractic school in that city.

Mrs. Bess Cook and Miss Helen Welsh of the Malone Theatre Orchestra played at the Charleston Theatre last week, when Manager McCutchen filmed "Robin Hood". Many compliments were paid these talented musicians by the Charleston audience.

SHOOTING SCRAPE NEAR MATTHEWS

White mul e caused Bill and Fred Marr of Canalou to get into trouble with a young man from New Madrid named Waters, and Waters received a severe beating at the hands of the Marrs. Kelsie Cloar had hired his taxi to Waters and was in charge of the car himself. He succeeded in getting Waters in the car and hurried away with him, fearing the Marrs would beat him again. Not satisfied with the first beating, Bill Marr got into his car and overtook Cloar's car at or about Matthews. Cloar was afraid of his own life as well as that of Waters, drew a revolver and leveled it at Marr, when someone hit his hand, the bullet missed its mark. He again drew down on Marr and his pistol hand was struck down just as he pulled the trigger, the bullet passing through the upper leg and on into the leg below the knee.

Kelsie was sober and but for the interference would have certainly killed Marr. When drinking Marr is a dangerous man and when sober, one of the best saw mill men to be found and very affiiable.

Unless complications set up, Cloar will soon be about.

Miss Annette Smith entertained the following Thursday evening: Miss Lottie Dover, John Louis Watkins, and Ralph Wilkey.

Miss Frances B. Johnston, who gained fame by photographing President McKinley at Buffalo, the day before he was assassinated, is the first newspaper camera woman.

SEN. REED TO ENTER RACE FOR RESIDENCY

New York, December 20.—The New York Evening Post today prints the following:

"Justice Daniel F. Cohalan will resign from the Supreme Court bench within a month to manage the campaign of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri for the Democratic nomination for President, it was reported today in political circles. Although Justice Cohalan would neither deny nor affirm the truth of the report, it was learned from another sources that he had presented his resignation, but had agreed to serve for another month at the request of the presiding justice.

"Tammany men admitted that they had expected such a development as a result of reports that William R. Hearst looked favorably upon Senator Reed's candidacy. Ex-Surrogate Jno. P. Cohalan, brother of Daniel F., who was refused a renomination by Charles F. Murphy, lined up with the pubisher in the recent judiciary campaign. It is now believed that the two brothers, who are exiles from Fourteenth street, will join forces with Hearst to embarrass the Democratic organization.

"Justice Cohalan's term expires in 1925, and it was said to be Tammany's plan to treat him as it did his brother. The fall of the Cohalans as political powers in Democratic organization circles here dated from the time Justice Cohalan attempted to unseat Thomas F. Foley as leader of the First District. Since that time the Cohalans have been moving toward Hearst and away from Tammany Hall. Of late years their progress has been helped by active efforts on the part of ex-Sheriff Foley.

"Tammany men professed to feel no fear at the prospect of a fight for Reed delegates in this state. The presence of even one anti-Smith man in New York's delegation, especially in view of the strength the organization is supposed to wield in this state, would, it is believed, hurt the Governor's prestige at the convention.

"It is recalled that Senator Reed, who was an anti-Wilson man, has been friends with Justice Cohalan for some time. President Wilson deliberately and publicly refused to meet Justice Cohalan at the time of Wilson's appearance here at the Metropolitan Opera House. It is said the President was influenced by reports f Justice Cohalan's dealings with rnstorff, the German Ambassador, in the period prior to America's entrance into the world war.

"The Cohalans have always been storm centers in local politics. Both men exercise some influence among certain elements aligned with Tammany, although John P. Cohalan was decisevly defeated when he sought to oppose the organization's candidate in 1922. With the same fate staring him in the face, it is said Justice Cohalan decided to retire gracefully, especially when he saw a chance to combat the local Democratic organization"

MANEUVER BY BRYAN SEEN IN APPEAL FOR COMBINE

Washington, December 21.—The hand of William Jennings Bryan in Democratic presidential politics was indicated in the House yesterday, when Representative Howard, Democrat, of Nebraska, former secretary to the Commoner, called for the combination of Progressive Republicans and Democrats throughout the country to win the next presidential election.

Howard's appeal is the outgrowth of the futile effort which Bryan made at the outset of the House organization fight to induce Progressive Republicans and Democrats to unite and organize the House. Bryan is seen by Democratic leaders in the background, as the result of the Howard speech, maneuvering his forces so he will be able to exert an influence in the next Democratic convention similar to that he exercised at Baltimore.

There have been rumors that Bryan this year will support McAdoo, that he was thinking of supporting Senator Owen of Oklahoma and that he might bring forth a dark-horse candidate.

Miss Lottie Dover entertained the following girls with a bunking party Wednesday evening of last week: Misses Annette Smith, Lillian Shields, Martha Gresham, Mildred Stubblefield, Anita Winchester and Hilma Black.

The Standard $1.50 per year.

Closing our first year's business in Sikeston, which has been a very successful one, we will, beginning Saturday, December 29, place on sale our entire stock of men's suits and overcoats. Our stock consists of the following well-known lines:

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Kuppenheimer
Keller-Heumann-Thompson
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We are not overstocked, but our policy is to not carry over this season's merchandise until next, and in order to move these suits and overcoats, we are pricing them to sell—

One-Half Off
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HERE'S WHAT 1-2 OFF MEANS TO YOU

$35.00 Suits and Overcoats now $17.50 **$40.00 suits and overcoats now $20.00**
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If unequaled values in fine clothes mean anything to you, you'll call this sale a sensation. Here are the latest fall and winter goods being sold at radical price reductions. We need room for new spring merchandise is the reason, and this is the quickest way to get it.

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M. E. CHURCH REPORTS 465,000 INCREASE

Chicago, Ill., December 21.—An increase of 465,000 members in the Methodist Episcopal Church during the current quadrennium, bringing the total membership to 4,774,520, was reported today by the Committee on Conservation and Advance from figures taken out of the Methodist Yearbook for 1924.

General extension of church work over the past four-year period was announced by the committee. It reported that there are now 34,526 preachers in the denomination, includ-traveling preachers and local pastors, with 29,442 Methodist churches in operation, and 36,559 Sunday schools having an attendance of 4,-850,424. To teach these children there are 412,168 officers and instructors.

Methodist parsonages were reported to number 16,051. Combined valuation of the parsonages and churches was set at $375,429,933.

Contributions to the Centenary Fund of the church total $65,000,000, according to the report, which described the movement that led to these subscriptions as "the greatest enterprise of systematic, benevolent giving in the history of Christianity".

The denomination was shown to maintain eighty hospitals, thirty-six homes for the aged, forty-five orphanages and eleven homes for working girls, valued at more than $30,000,-000. This does not include fifty hospitals abroad under the Board of Foreign Missions or ninety deaconess homes and thirty hospitals in this country.

Increased salaries for ministers are shown in that the average salary is now, $1577, compared to $1100 three years ago. The church was reported to have given $29,093,696 for ministerial support in 1923. Its pension fund is said to be the largest of any denomination with $17,500,000 available.

Commenting on unification with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the yearbook declared: "The outlook for unification is distinctly favorable. The plan proposed is not intended to settle everything at once. Rather, it proposes a method whereby the two churches may come together under one general conference and there work out their problems and plans as one body. The next step must be taken by our own General Conference, then by that of the Church, South, which it will soon become referendum to the ministry and laity of both churches.

DAWES TO BE PRESIDENT OF GERMAN INQUIRY

Paris, December 21.—The Reparations Commission this morning decided to offer to Charles G. Dawes of the United States the presidency of the committee which is to examine German finances.

An American thus will head the principal expert committee to be named for the investigation of Germany's resources and financial situation.

The Reparations Commission found it necessary to postpone issuing thhe invitations to the other delegates on the committee, aside from the Americans, but in view of the need of gaining time to permit the representatives from the United States to arrive without delay, the names of Gen. Dawes and of Owen D. Young of New York were approved and instructions given that formal invitations be sent them.

It was the unaimous decision of the Reparations Commission that the presidency of the leading expert committee ought to be offered to Gen. Dawes.

Refuses to Comment

Chicago, Ill., December 21.—Brig. Gen. Charles G. Dawes refused to comment early today when informed that he had been decided on by the Reparation Commission to head the committee.

Gen. Dawes is regarded by his friends as singularly well equipped for the proposed duties, both through his financial experience and zeal as a public servant.

He is the founder of and long has been head of one of Chicago's large banking institutions. In 1917-1919 he served in France, most of the time as chairman of the General Purchasing Board.

He was the first director of the budget under President Harding being appointed in June, 1921, serving one fiscal year, for which a saving to the government of between $250,000,-000 and $300,000,000 was credited to the operation of the Budget Bureau under his direction.

Ambition and love are the wings of great actions.

M'ADAMS SAYINGS IN POST-DISPATCH

If Senator Reed ran for President we would have Mr. Coolidge opposed by Mr. Hottidge.

A New York stock broker who has made $2,000,000 has given up his business to run a newspaper in Bergen, N. Y. He'll need it.

After fooling with various life-saving fenders over a period of years, the United Railways are beginning to realize that they picked up a receiver.

Hoisting engineers, who get $1.25 an hour, have hoisted their demands up to $1.50.

It is said that everybody at Washington laughs at Senator Spencer and it cannot be long before most people at home do.

It looks as if the division as to the virgin birth of Christ might be along the old familiar Mason and Dixion line.

There is a farmer in Boone Counyt, Mo., who will likely pull through the agricultural slump. He is working only ox teams on his farm, and when he goes to town he parks a team of these economical creatures among the automobiles of the farmers who are wondering where Santa Claus went.

Complaints that Santa Claus is being held up by highwaymen all over town will not surprise people who have marked the steady prostitution of Christmas to the status of a plain business proposition. The man with a mask and a revolver holding up a truck loaded with Christmas goods is only doing in a more direct way what the man who has been pushing his busines through Christmas has been doing all the time. This is not a nice matter, and we are sorry to see Santa Claus mixed up in it. Still, he probably had a choice of worlds and took this one.

It is only twenty-one years since Augieres drove an automobile at the then phenomenal speed of seventy-eight miles an hour. Airplanes now travel nearly 300 mlies an hour, or almost four times as fast as Augieres' auto in 1920. It is not unreasonable to suppose that speed will increase to 1000 miles an hour by 1950 or before. The conquest of distance and time is the most outstanding acomplishment of our generation.

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MISSOURI WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Kansas City—City Plan Commission announces program for viaduct construction calling for $5,000,000 expenditure.

St. Joseph—Plans being made for improvement of municipal light plant at cost of approximately $500,000.

Columbia—First unit of memorial stadium for University of Missouri under construction.

Baxter—Construction work on road connecting this point with Riverton hard-surface road nearing completion.

St. Joseph—Contract let for repaving Twelfth street from Monterey to Hickory street.

Joplin—Local Water Works Company to complete extensions of lines into southeast Joplin by January.

Webb City—West Fourth street, from Oronogo street to Madison street, to be resurfaced.

Carthage—New $50,000 apartment house at corner of Seventh and Main street, under construction.

Desloge—Plans being made for erection of new high school.

Jamesport—Work on new county bridge spanning Big Creek east of this point, completed.

Joplin—City plants expenditure of $30,000 for purchase of site for erection new memorial city hall.

Linn—Contract let for erection of new Osage County Court House at cost of $44,332.

Chillicothe—Local cold storage company declared dividend of $18,000.

Washington—Installation of boulevard lighting system along Main, Elm and Jefferson streets nearing completion.

New Florence—Missouri Light and Power Company to extend lines from Montgomery City to this point.

Marceline—Midland Coal Co. consolidates with Jackson Walker Coal Company with capital of $505,000 and $600,000 surplus.

Desloge—$175,000 in bonds to be issued for construction of waterworks and sanitary sewers at this point.

Washington—New $35,000 addition to local High School completed.

Leroy—Work under way on rebuilding Leroy bridge.

Liberal—Local Mutual Telephone company completeing plans for making extensive improvements to system.

Missouri Light and Power company to acquire all properties of the Missouri Utilities Company of this State.

Eufaula—100 men digging for bauxite mineral in crude form on W. H. Jones plantation.

North Kansas City—Preliminary work for construction of new purification plant under way.

Columbia—Work to be resumed on construction of University of Missouri memorial tower.

Kansas City—Chestnut avenue to be paved from Independence avenue to North Terrace Park.

Jefferson City—Four Missouri river bridges under construction in state at aggregate cost of $2,894,419.25.

Ave—New mining company leases 1,000 acres of land in Smallet district for prospecting purposes.

Kansas City—7-story building to be erected for occupancy of Palace Clo. store.

Gorin completes new concrete bridge over Peach and Honey on Main street.

Charity should begin at home and, stay there until there is a surplus for other people.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in Cuba recently ruled that all applicants must submit two photographs with their petitions for membership, one being attached to the petition to be placed in the vestibule of the lodge for the scrutiny of members, and the other to be attached to the diploma issued by the Cuban lodges when Masons are raised to the Master's degree.

Let the women do the work. Ths is what Luther Wadkins, a blind farmer residing three miles west of town, had in mind Saturday when he appeared before the county court and asked for an order compelling his wife and 16-year-old daughter to help him chop wood in order to make a living. Wadkins, who is quite well known about town, explained to Presiding Judge Frank Sass and Associate Judges James M. Spence and W. A. Dixon that he recently bought 40 acres of land where he now resides and that he could make a good living by cutting and hauling wood to town and sell it here if his wife and daughter would only help do the work. Wadkins is a blind pensioner and gets a pension from the state, when there are available funds to pay. He also receives assitance from other sources, but he seems to think he could keep the wolf from the door if he could get the county court to issue an order compelling his wife and daughter to chop wood. He was told by the court that he must get the necessary relief in the court of Justice George Halstead.—West Pains Gazette.

We sometimes wonder what Theodore Roosevelt would think of his country's terror of everything foreign, if he should come back to earth and contemplate the scene. During his administration Russia and Japan were fighting to the death. All Europe was in sympathy with Russia while America was for the Japs. A world situation of the most serious sort developed, in the midst of which Roosevelt interposed and induced the warring nations to join with him in a peace parley. Each of them sent delegates to the United States. Assisted and encouraged by President Roosevelt they came to terms and signed a treaty. What a contrast to the present situation in Washington, where statesmen of both parties are so saturated with personal hatreds and unworthy fears that their country is forced into a cyclone cellar every time co-operation for world peace is mentioned! By throwing the influence of America into the scale at a ertical time Roosevelt rendered a service that will always stand to his country's credit. Where is the man who is so foolish as to believe that he would not demand that America ceases fleeing from phantoms and take her place at international council tables as an Apostle of Peace, if he were living today?—Paris Appeal.

ALBANIA WOULD CALL SINCLAIR "KING HARRY"

Rome, December 19.—King Harry of Albania! That is what the most up-to-date political factions in the little mountain country want to make of Harry F. Sinclair, the American oil millionaire.

In fact it is reported here that Sinclair is the favorite for the throne vacated so hurriedly in 1914 by Prince William of Wied. The Albanians say a man like Sinclair would leave them a free hand in local politics if he were ruler and at the same time would bring prosperity to the country by developing its oil, copper, and other natural resources. Besides, the Albanian gold reserve is low and an American millionaire monarch might remedy this financial difficulty.

The Albanian legation at Rome denies that Sinclair has been asked to mount the throne. However, legation officials admitted the majority of Albanian notables were busy searching for an American millionaire to be king. They feel this move would combine political security with good business udgment.

At present Albania is a republic, but under the tutelage of a Dutch League of Nations delegate. The Albanians say this is a costly arrangement and does not give their local politicians enough liberty of action.

Not all Albanians agre on an American king. Some want Prince William back again. Others want a British peer, but fear it will be hard to persuade such a man to give up England and settle in the Albanian hills.

At an unclaimed express sale recenttly Frank Brubaker of Omaha, Neb., bought a trunk for $4.50. When it was opened it was found to be full of mud. A friend suggested that the mud be analyzed. It was found to contain $1806 worth of gold.

Dunklin county will probably have a candidate in the race next year for the office of Lieutenant Governor of the State on the Democratic ticket. Hon. Casper M. Edwards of Malden, who has been representative to the General Assembly for the past two terms is being urged by many friends over the state, to make the race. Mr. Edwards was in Kennett Friday of last week and when broached on the subject by a News representative, informed us that he had not decided as to whether or not he would be a candidate. Dunklin would like to see him run and win, thus bringing honor to the county.—Dunklin County News.

May Christmas Happiness Like That in the Hearts of Little Children Be Yours

Because Christmas is one of the happiest days of the year to children it brings happiness to all of us.

We hope that Christmas filled your heart with happiness. May the joy of a happy family fireside, the warmth of re-united friendships and all the good things of the season be with you. And in sending our greetings we feel the message quite incomplete without without expression of our sincere appreciation of all patronage of the past year. We want you to know we appreciate you and will be found in 1924 putting forth our best efforts to serve and please you.

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THE PASSING OF THE YEAR

The twilight of 1923 is upon us and with another issue of The Standard the sun will have risen on a New Year, that of 1924. The year just closing has been one of various sensations, of glooms, of bright prospects, of misgivings and finally of satisfactory reward to the tiller of the soil and those depending on his prosperity. The beginning of the year 1923 found our agricultural community short of money, short of credit and with little hope of the future, but with the growing of cotton a grim and determined effort was made to grab at a straw as would a drowning man. The wheat crop of 1923 gave the grower very little relief and all hope was centered in the uncertainties of the cotton crop and all depended on it to save thousands from bankruptcy. The present generation in this community knew nothing of growing cotton and experienced all the sensations caused by the late spring, the rains, the cotton worm and the final fear of boll weevil and early frosts. Thanks to Providence these back-sets and fears were not so bad as appearaed and our district harvested or gathered a very satisfactory crop that with the high price of cotton, gave them the best returns from their lands that they have had in a decade. Splendid returns were had from the fields planted to clover, peas, sunflowers and corn, with good prices for each variety, and with the close of the year our people have helped their credit, renewed their hopes in the future and will start the New Year in high spirits and a determination to do everything in their power to produce from the soil sufficient crops to wipe out their entire indebtedness and give them freedom again. So desperate was the situation that many farmers were forced to mortgage the growing cotton to secure money to produce the crop, and after paying off the mortgage but little was left to pay outstanding bills to mercantile establishments who had been carrying them for the past three years. These conditions have made it particularly hard on merchants and tradesmen, but the farmer has done his best and nothing can be done except to hope for a bountiful cotton crop in 1924 when the slate can be marked clean. We should all thank Divine Providence for the good health of our community, which, after all, is the greatest blessing that we can enjoy. We had no epidemics, little serious sickness and few deaths. Plenty of work for everyone, good wages, no calls for charity at home and no suffering for the necessities of life.

Charles Matthews, Franklin Moore, Arden Ellise, John Sikes and Billie Keith spent Wednesday afternoon in Cape Girardeau.

The Woman's Club will have an open meeting on the night of January 2nd at the Hotel Marshall from 8 to 11, complimentary to the Lions Club members and their wives, the Chamber of Commerce members and their wives and the husbands of all Club members. A pleasant evening is in view and the Woman's Club are hoping that all members will attend

Leland Lingle spent Christmas at his home in Coben, Ill.

Miss Elsie Smart, of New Madrid, spent Friday in Sikeston with friends. Miss Smart was en route to her home in Hazen, Ark., to spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart.

Leo Holbrook, Crowder, Mo., would like a position of some sort in Sikeston where he could work and in that way pay his board in Sikeston while attending High School. He is 15 years of age. Write him at once.

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Happy New Year To All

1924

WE TAKE THIS MEASURE OF THANKING YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS DURING THE PAST YEAR, BE IT LARGE OR SMALL

We Appreciate Our Friends

And will always try to treat you in such a way that you will know our appreciation is sincere.

May 1924 Bring You True Happiness and Lasting Prosperity

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Our Christmas Thoughts

IF HUMAN NATURE is the combination of self-seeking, ambition and greed which some materialistic philosophers assert it is; if life is a contest in which all finer sentiments are subordinated to self-advancement and success at any price, how is it that the spirit of Christmas has not only endured but grown in power during nearly 2,000 years? If the pessimists are right, it would seem that the light would have been extinguished long since and with it the spirit would have departed.

Were history and our daily lives not replete with evidences—noble evidences too—of the unselfishness in men's hearts, we might be impressed with the teachings of the sordid and the carpings of the morbid. Christmas is the symbol and a celebration of love—love which is synonymous with charity and which our purest teaching tells us is the finest attribute of the soul. We, who during the past few weeks have watched the Yuletide preparations, are prepared to say that they represent a beautiful manifestation of that attribute.

We have noted the working girl taking home at night her parcels; contributions wrung from the dole of her necessities, in order that she may testify to her love and bring a measure of cheer to some child, some relative, some friend. Tired from her daily toil mayhap, but in her eyes that something which transcends all fatigue; transcends, in fact, everything else in the world and comparable only to that which shone from a mother's eyes upon the Babe in Bethlehem. Friends, in the face of these and so many other manifestations which we are all witnessing during this season, what right has one of us to say that the Light of the World grows dimmer?

Our hearts tell us there is no dimming. Let us be thankful for the extra radiance of Christmas. Let us seek to carry it into our daily lives. Our wish is, that this occasion, at least, will help all of us to forget our tribulations and sorrows, our complaints and animosities, and that it will be to all a day of cheer and everything which Yuletide typifies. The words of Tiny Tim have never been improved upon and we here invoke them: "God bless us all!"

THE PUBLISHERS

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THE DAWN OF A NEW ERA

With the passing of 1923 let us hope for better things to come. To most of us, hope in the future is the guiding light of all our undertakings. While we live, we are hoping that tomorrow or the next day will bring us additional prosperity and contentment, and after death we have hopes of the immortality of the soul and that ours will be one of those that will be saved. Except for hope, life would hardly be worth living. The Standard believes the coming year holds out hopes of renewed prosperity and the return to normalcy. Every man you meet talks hopefully of the future and expects to put forth every effort to produce that which will clear him of debt. The one great crop that the farming community of Southeast Missouri expects to hitch its hopes to, is cotton. Thousands upon thousands of acres will be put to cotton in 1924 and nothing left undone to produce a bumper crop. If these hopes are realized the farmer can again reign supreme in these parts. Many reasonable things can be hoped for during the year, such as the completion of the hard-road program in Southeast Missouri, the building of more consolidated schools throughout the country, the building of a gymnasium and auditorium in connection with the Sikeston High School, the building of a sewer system and the paving of the principle residence streets of the city, the enlargement of the grandstand at the fair grounds, the beautifying of the Chamber of Commerce Park, the buiing of a commodious passenger station by the Frisco, the building of more and better farm homes, besides many other lesser things. Many of the things enumerated above will come to pass without a doubt—and all of them, if we pull together. The coming year will witness the growth of Sikeston by several thousand and the demand for a ward school somewhere in Ward 4 to take care of the children. Will witness the moral uplift that is now noticeable, and wished for. While we are hoping and believing, let us hope that the unsightly sheds, barns and outhouses will be torn away and barrels and barrels of paint used in every section of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Morefield of Hayti are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. Coleman. Mrs. Coleman is a niece of Mrs. Morefield.

The first visible sign that such an organization as the Ku Klux Klan really exists, so far as Paris people are concerned, was displayed at the funeral services of the late John Burner, Frisco engineer, held at the home of his niece, Mrs. Betty Brooks in this city Wednesday afternoon. The symbol in question was a floral piece, a fiery red cross, with the letters "K. K. K." at the top, sent from Chaffee, Mo., where a large Klan is said to exist, and of which Burner evidently was a member. Most of those present did not know of the significance of the piece until the funeral was over. It is said the two ministers attending were members of the klan.—Paris Mercury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Miss Hyacinth, spent Christmas with their daughter and sister, Mrs. R. A. Moll and family, in Tamms, Ill.

Miss Dorothy Lillard of Arlington, Ky., who is at home for the Christmas holidays from Christian College, Columbia, Mo., is visiting in Sikeston.

Robert Hall, an English clergyman of the eighteenth century, once said: "The Bible is the treasure of the poor, the solace of the sick, and the support of the dying; and while other books may amuse and instruct in a leisure hour, it is the peculiar triumph of that book to create light in the midst of darkness, to alleviate the sorrow which admits of no other alleviation, to direct a beam of hope to the heart which no other topic of consolation can reach, while guilt, despair and death vanish at hte touch of its holy inspiration".

HOME TALENT PLAYS AT BOWMAN SCHOOL

A group of three home talent plays to be given at Bowman School, 4½ mi. Southeast of Sikeston, Monday evening, December 31, at 8:00 o'clock. Titles of plays and cast of characters are:

I. "The Family Affair."

CAST

Charles Guest .....Leading Man
Helen Ogle..... ....Leading Lady
W. H. Guest..... Comedian
Mr. McIntosh, ... Character

II. "The Man Who Looks Like Me."

CAST

Wm. Ensor ..... Leading Man
Mrs. L De Witt.....Leading Lady
W. H. Guest ..... Comedian

III. "Billy, the Bouncer"

CAST

B. Sells ..... Character
W. H. Guest .....Comedian
Four assistants.

W. H. Guest has traveled with the King Stock Co. for four years and showed in Sikeston three years ago.

Thsi is given for the benefit of the Litte Vine Church. Admission 15c and 25c.

Herman Henry spent Christmas at his home in Illinois.

Stanly Huggett of Westminster College is visiting Paul Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fosterand family had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lehman.

Henry Ford is out in an announcement that he will not be a candidate of any party, for the nomination, but announces his allegiance to President Coolidge. "Mutt" and "Jeff" have also retired from the race and recent heavy financial reverses to Andy Gump will perhaps cause him to retire from the running. The field seems to be narrowing. Yet there is no telling what a season may spring forth.—Farmington Times.

Real Estate Transfers

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Will Allen, lot 6, block 5, Sunset addition, Sikeston, $135.

O. E. Kendall to Susan Vowels and Lizzie Bryant, land in survey 623 $1.

J. H. Galeener to Mrs. Ara Hanner, part lots 16 and 17 block 2 Sikeston, $362.20.

Highland Park Real Estate Co. to A. J. Uelsmann, 1.78 acres survey 1879, $507.—Benton Democrat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ingram and son spent Christmas in Cape Girardeau.

Elmer Schmidt of St. Louis was the guest of Miss Nina Taylor during Christmas.

Dr. J. H. Kready sold his lot in the Chamber of Commerce addition to George Johnson.

Max Borowsky of Manila, Arkansas spent Christmas day as guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. Becker.

Miss Rosella Werner of Canalou was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor during Christmas.

Miss Burdeen Schroff spent Christmas with her brother, Highland Schroff and family in New Madrid.

Misses Mary Williams Smith, Burdeen Schroff, Tyleen Kendall and Evelyn Smith left for Cairo Thursday for a visit with friends until Sunday.

Ancil and Champ Bomar of St. Louis were in Sikeston Tuesday afternoon visiting their brother. They left Wednesday for Charleston for a visit with their mother.

Mrs. W A. Welch and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, entertained with a six o'clock dinner Christmas evening, complimentary to their son and brother, Medford Welch, who was here from Springfield for the Christmas holidays. Covers were laid for Misses Mary and Violet Williams, of Charleston, "Pat" Ellis and Medford Welch.

8000 GERMANS MAY WORK IN AKRON ZEPPELIN PLANT

Akron, Ohio, December 20.—Nearly 2000 German families, numbering approximately 8000 persons, are preparing to come here next spring to work in the Goodyear-Zeppelin plant, according to information Robert L. Scergel, publisher of a German newspaper, said today he has received from Germany.

Officials of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company declared that if this is true, the families are coming of their own accord. They said that, with the exception of a few expert Zeppelin engineers, they expect to recruit all the help necessary in America.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis, December 26th, a son.

Howard Dunaway of Morehouse was in Sikeston Wednesday.

Miss Jessie Bowling, of St. Louis is a guest of Miss Lillian Putnam.

John Fox, Albert Bruton, Carl Fitz and A. W. Hill attended the dance at Cape Girardeau Tuesday night.

Miss Margaret Jones gave a party Wdenesday evening at her home on Murray Lane for the young ladies of the Brown Spur Sunday School. There were about twenty-five present.

The detour road between Sikeston and Bertrand is almost impassable and the Highway Department hold out little hope for improvement before spring. The detour road was thought to be in good condition, but 3-ton truck loads of freight have cut it all to pieces and the rains have made a perfect loblolly of it. Those wishing to make time to Charleston and Cairo will do well to go north from Sikeston to the Blodgett road, or east to Miner, then north to Blodgett. Rock roads will be found this way. The engineers say no loads heavier than 2 tons should traverse these roads during winter months.

To our customers and other friends in Sikeston and vicinity, we extend our heartiest wishes for the New Year. As service is the keynote of the world today, so may the coming year bring us renewed opportunities to serve you and show thereby our appreciation and good will.

Union Electric Light & Power Co.

Christmas bells across the snow
Pealing clear and sweet;
Merry children, faces glad,
Happy, hurrying feet.
All the world is love and hope,
Everyone is gay;
Dearest time of all the year—
Happy Christmas Day.

Deck the house with mistletoe,
Wreathe the post with holly,
Bring the yule-log and the bowl,
Let us all be jolly.
Cold the wind, and loud the blast,
What care we for weather?
Happy hearts and Christmas cheer,
When we're all together.

The good will of the Christmas season
reminds us of your good will
throughout the year
for which we give our heartfelt thanks.
May happiness, prosperity and great success
be yours throughout the coming year.

Citizens Store Co.

SIKESTON STANDARD

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LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Nunn and little son, Bobbie of Terra Haute, Ind., are holiday guests at the home of Mrs. Nunn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, of this city.

Rev. W. A. Humphreys, pastor of the Methodist Church, was called to Essex last Sunday to conduct the funeral services of a Mrs. Hux of that city.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Humphreys left Monday for Bloomfield to be the Christmas guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Attorney and Mrs. E. M. Munger.

Wm. B. Finch and mother, Mrs. Florence B. Finch, left the latter part of last week to spend the holidays with relatives in Shreveport, La.

Miss Vivian Hart, a student of Marvin College, Fredericktown, arrived home last week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hart, living near New Madrid.

Robert Knott of Memphis, Tenn., is a Christmas guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Knott.

Misses Sybil and Dixie Massengill and Sue Shelby, who are attending Teachers College at Cape Girardeau, arrived home Saturday to spend Xmas with homefolks.

The teachers and pupils of the Ristine school celebrated Christmas last Friday evening with a tree, laden with presents for all. An appropriate program was rendered.

Mrs. F. Fine returned last week from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Paul Mueller at Jackson, and friends at Cape Girardeau.

Miss La Rue Townsend, who is attending Commercial College at Bowling Green, Ky., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horrel Townsend.

Mrs. Lizzie Henry of this city and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brewington and daughter, Miss Mary Frances and son, Russell, of Lilbourn, were Xmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry of Sikeston.

Miss Victoria Parsons, County Health Nurse, is spending the holidays with her brother, in Mississippi.

B. M. Jones left last week for a visit with his parents at Benoit, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud and family accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Nunn of Terra Haute, Ind., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nunn, Cape Girardeau, Christmas Day.

Capt. W. S. Korn, of Paragould, Ark., is spending the holidays with homefolks.

J. M. Householder, who has a contract for concrete work at Dihelstadt, spent Christmas Day with homefolks in this city.

Gallard Dawson, of St. Louis, arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with homefolks.

Misses "Lady" Lewis and Marie Hunter were shopping in Cairo last Sautrday.

Attorney and Mrs. R. S. Rutledge and sons, Robert and "Dad" of Cape Girardeau, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Sharp and Mrs. Jennie Mitchell Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hummel and little daughter, Frances Ellen of Charleston, spent Christmas Day with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hummel of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Ehers and son left Christmas Day for St. Louis and Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Highland Schroff and children, were Christmas guests of the former's parents, in Sikeston.

Mrs. H. D. Russell of Chicago is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. V. Jones of this city.

W. H. Tanner of Sikeston was transacting business in New Madrid last Monday.

Attorney Thomas Gallivan was looking after legal matters in Kennett, Wednesday.

Mrs. Highland Schroff and Mrs. H. Townsend and daughter, Miss La Rue, were Cape Girardeau visitors last Friday.

The following is an account of raids made on search warrants at Morehouse, December 20th: On search warrant for the residence of Charles Beal, whiskey was found, arrests are as follows: Chas. Beal, Clarence Beal and Clem Beal. Also Clem and Clarence Beal were arrested on State warrants for the sale of liquor. On search warrant residence of Will Barington, mash was found. Barington was arrested nad brought to New Madrid, where a plea of guilty was taken and a fine of $200 was paid. On search warrant of the residence of Louie Glaz, whiskey was found and a plea of guilty was taken with a fine of $200.

Gambling raid made on Sunday at La Forge at the negro Honka Tonk. A room with crap tables and card tables with the following:

White: Bob Martin, Si Foust, C. W. Shields, Chas. Campbell, Howard Shields, Cecil Newton, Nose Shaver, Tillman Hodgekiss and J. W. Henson. Colored—Ernest Newton, Bud King, Ira Garrett, S. B. Barnum, L. C. Cole, Wesley Paterson, Louis Wade, Will Griffin, Walter Moore, Sam Johnson, Geo. Colman, S. Rodgers, Charles Washington, Julias Webbs, Pont Till, Alvin Smith, John Humphrey, Will Cooper, Nat Williams, John Wall, Extell Smith, Henry Young, B. F. Micon, Louis Banks; women, Neal Burns, Millie Boone, Tommy McClenard.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Anderson and little daughter went to St. Louis Wednesday night.

Howard Morrison of Sikeston was in New Madrid, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ambrose Kerr and little daughters were Parma visitors Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Emma Olgvie is the guest of her mother.

The youngest son of C. H. Denman has been very ill with a sore throat.

Mrs. Gayle, of the Farmers Dry Goods & Clo. Company, has resigned her position on account of ill health and is visiting in Charleston.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

J. W. French and wife to Calvin L. Maple and wife: Lot 9, block 26 in town of Gideon. $600. Made to correct error of deed recorded in book 79, page 362.

G. L. Tinsley and wife to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord: 55 5-9 interest in S½ of lots 18 and 19, range E in City of Lilbourn. $1.00 and transfer of property.

J. F. Cox and wife and R. A. McCord and wife to G. L. Tinsley: All of 44 4-9 interest ni dost 1, 2, 3, 4, block 18, Lewis 2nd addition to Lilbourn. $1.00 and transfer of property.

B. A. Coop, Jr., and wife to John Tawney: Tract of land in the City of Lilbourn, being 100 ft. three lots, 21 and 22 range C. $100.

E. E. Jones and wife to N. M. Castleberry, Sr.: All of lots 57, 58, 61, 62, range D, Lilbourn. $1.00 and other consideration.

W. L. Fletcher, single, to Roy Mallory: Lots 19, 21, blk. 10 in Barnes 1st addition to town of Marston. $325.

Warney Denbow and wife to W. L. Fletcher: All of lots 19, 20, 21, in blk. 10 in Barnes 1st add. to Marston, New Madrid County. $1.00.

Chris Sondemp and wife to R. Timons: W½ of lot 1 of the NE¼ of sec. 3, twp. 22, range 11, containing 40 acres. $9800.

W. C. Cutter and wife to the Townley Manufacturing Co.: All of frl sec. 22 and a strip of ground 17 chains wide off west side of 23, containing 136.80 acres all in twp. 23, rnage 10, with other lands in Dunklin County. $1.00.

Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School. Classes for all ages and all grades.

11:00—Morning Worship. The pastor will speak on "The Things Left Undone".

Come to the morning worship. Let us honor God in Public Worship.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song Service. The pastor will continue his talks in his studies of the Gospel of John.

You are welcome to all our services.

REV. S. P. BRITE, Pastor

Miss Geneva Norrid, of Blytheville, Ark., spent the holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Crooks were dinner guests of the R. A. Lewis famil, Christmas Day.

Mrs. John Durbin had as guests for a few days this week, her son, C. J. Phillips, with his wife and little son.

An infant of Mr. and Mrs. George Darr of this city, died Sunday, December 23, and was buried in the City Cemetery, Monday.

Miss Mildred Reed of Springfield, Mo., formerly of Sikeston, visited Miss Evelyn Sutton from Thursday until Monday. Miss Reed has a splendid position for the Government at Springfield.

Mrs. J. Banks died at her home at Oran, Thursday of last week, and was buried at Chicago. She was the wife of the Oran Merchant and mother of Mrs. Harry Lambert of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert attended the burial. The Standard extends sympathy.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

The Missouri Pacific depot was robbed Thursday night. The thieves failed to get any money, but rifled all the express packages, taking some candy billed to the North Pole Cafe, clothing billed to Phillip Banks, and other items

The High School closed with a program Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Lewis Tickell won a debate over Henry Hart on the question: Resolved, there is a Santa Claus. Lewis argued the negative. At the close of the program, Professor Bryce Edwards formally presented the football players with sweaters. The recipients were: Jesse Wilkns, Cleo Cain, Gale Parmley, Don Headlee, Claude Dilday, Raymond Usrey, Donald Brewer, Cotton Merrick, Tob Minnick, Kenneth Averett, Clinton Miller and Orval Sanders

Miss Gretchen Dunaway, who is a teacher in the Harrisburg, Illinois school, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway.

Allen Harrison is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Harrison.

Those who are home from school to spend the vacation period with their parents are: Miss Maxine Harrison, of William Woods College, Fulton, Mo.; Miss Frances Rauch, of Howard Payne College and Howard Dunaway, of Central College, Fayette, Mo.; Miss Hazel Carr, Marvin College, Fredericktown; Misses Nellie Lowe and Susie Spence, Cape Normal.

Charlie Newton, a sailor on the U. S. S. Oregon, is home on a furlough. He reports cruises to the Panama Canal, Hawaii and other places.

Mrs. L. I. Gray and daughter, Miss Helen went to Fredericktown Sunday morning to visit her mother, Mrs. Jno. Parringer, over the Christmas holidays.

A citizens of Morehouse received a Christmas package worth $1.50 from Canada, on which there was a duty of $1.15. This is what a Southeast Missouri person pays to protect the East and the West pays the bill.

All churches of Morehouse reported record attendance to the special Christmas programs.

Ernest Crumpecker announces that he will offer a prize story contest to the school, from the first to the fifteenth of January. The story must be about a picture on a calendar being given away by the Peoples Bank of Morehouse. Cash prizes of $10; $7.50 and $5 will be given for the three best stories.

The following prizes have been ordered for the Cotton Club boys: First, a silver trophy, second, a gold medal; third, silver medal. These will be given out as soon as all records are completed and winners determined.

Harry McFarland is in Chicago finishing up his year's business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Mason are in Cairo visiting her sister, Mrs. "Hub" McFarland.

L. I. Gray went to Fredericktown Monday to join his wife, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Paranger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ogle and daughter, Helen, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Teal spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Edwards.

The Cline school, Ward No. 2 of the Morehouse School District, held a very interesting Christmas program on Christmas eve. Presents were distributed by Santa Claus from a Christmas tree.

The Class of 1922 held a reunion on Wednesday evening. Nearly all attended and report a very good time.

George Stewart reports it is raining hard in Arizona. Evidently we are not getting all of the rain.

Christmas night the Triangle Club held a dance in their club rooms. About forty were present.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Doss visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Donahue of Parma, returning Thursday.

Mrs. John Dunafee is visiting relatives in St. Louis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Edwards entertained Wednesday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fisher, Mrs. Josephine Hart, Philip Banks, Miss Gretchen Dunaway, Ed Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Teal, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sarff, Clyde Warfield and Mrs. Harry McFarland.

Louis Scott is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott.

Miss Ruth McCoy will leave Friday for Plant City Fla., where she expects to accept a position.

Mrs. Henry Ferrel and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson spent Christmas at Chaffee the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson and family.

W. A. Rodgers, 54 years of age, living one mile north of Sikeston, died at his home December 19 and was buried at the Hart Cemetery. Pneumonia was the cause of his death.

Happy New Year!

NOT because it is a custom, but because of the genuine sincerity of our appreciation of the good will and generous patronage extended to us, we choose this medium for extending to all of you our wishes fo- a most prosperous 1924.

HARDWICK'S
ECONOMY CENTER
SIKESTON MO. BERTRAND

JAMES PRATT ACCIDENTLY KILLED

Saturday night James Pratt of this city asked the driver of an automobile going north to give him a ride. The car was occupied and Pratt asked to be permitted to ride on the fender. When near the northern limit of Sikeston, he was knocked from the fender by a car parked along the curb. When picked up, he was unconscious and never regained consciousness, death following early Sunday morning.

Mr. Pratt was 59 years of age and had many relatives and friends in this vicinity. The body was buried at the Carpenter Cemetery.

WHAT'S PALACE TO MAN WHO HAS A SUIT OF PAJAMAS

He owned a palace and suit of pajamas!

Antonio Moreno, featured player in Pola Negri's new star picture, "The Spanish Dancer", a Herbert Brenon production for Paramount, which comes to the Malone Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, woke up one morning to find that all he owned in the world was a palace and his night attire. It was made of fine silk and had a monogram and coat of arms embroidered on the front, but the fact remained, it was not precisely fashionable wear for a stroll through the streets of the city.

However, it all took place in the reign of King Phillip IV. of Spain, and Moreno was reviving an incident in the life of Don Cesar de Bazan, a leading character in the Paramount picture which Pola Negri says is the strongest story in which she has ever appeared.

While Don Cesar sleeps, his creditors enter the ancient mansion of his family and carry off everything it contains. Caesar awakens in time to utter voluble protest as they ruthlessly steal the sheets from under him.

"The Spanish Dancer" is a costume picture with a very strong story of love, intrigue and human interest running throughout. The character of "Maritana" gives Pola Negri the greatest opportunity she has had since she came to America.

Heading a strong supporting cast are Wallace Beery, who plays the role of King Phillip IV; Kathlyn Williams, as Queen Isabelle; Gareth Hughes, as Lazarillo; and Adolphe Menjou as Salluste.

All four roles are important parts of the story and give ample scope for the ability of these players. Herbert Brenon, who produced the picture, paid careful attention to the details of dress, custom and manners of the period which made the seventeenth century history in Spain so elaborate and magnificent.

Joe Griffith, who is working at Dexter, spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith.

Mrs. Owen Scott and son, of Carbondale, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. A. Dye and family.

Joe Haw of Benton was in Sikeston, Saturday.

Lenneth Ryal was the guest of Miss Marguerite Hinkle the past week.

Frank Russell of Westminster College attended the dance given at the Shoe Factory Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bonnifield are receiving congratulations on the birth of a little son, born last week.

Henry Hunter Skillman is at home for the holidays. Henry Hunter has a splendid posiiton with a firm in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins, of Vanduser and Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Blanton and children spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blanton and family.

Wayne Wheeler presents an imposing number of lives saved as prohibition's Christmas present to the nation, but as against pure speculation of that sort he says nothing of the certain disrespect for law which has followed this sumptuary legislation, the innumerable bootleggers and moonshiners let loose upon us, the new generation's introduction to the drinking party upon every hand, how death and blindness have been visited upon those consuming home-made poisons, and the debasement of the Federal bench to the level of a police court. These are the whirl-wind we have reaped from our most amazing attempt to make ourselves what we are not. Mr. Wheeler seeks to put a good face upon the ghastly failure of the cause from which he gets his pay check. He is our leading sophist, and comes near to being our most successful jester.—McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

To Our Many
Friends Who Have
Helped Make This Past Year
a Very Prosperous One We Wish a

Helpful-Happy NEW YEAR

And voice the hope they will continue their patronage and good will during the coming year.

Dudley's Confectionery
Sikeston, Mo

GREETINGS

We wish to thank our many friends for the nice business and courtesy to us during the holidays. We extend to all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THE BIJOU
"WHERE GOOD FELLOWS MEET"

C. E. FELKER GEORGE LEE

May happiness, prosperity and suceess be yours throughout the comtng year.

George J. Arnold, County Treasurer

JUST OUT
New Victor Records
for Dancing

Dream Daddy—Fox Trot
The Only Girl—Fox Trot
Jack Chapman and His Drake Hotel Orchestra

Tweet, Tweet—Fox Trot
I've Been a Fool—Fox Trot
The Manhattan Merrymakers

Take, Oh Take Those Lips Away—Fox Trot
Brooke Johns and His Orch.

A Love Song—Fox Trot
The Manhattan Merrymakers

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New Victor Records Once a Week Every Week Friday

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Graham and children spent Christmas Day in Sikeston with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Graham.

Bob Burch, of Chicago, arrived in Matthews Sunday to spend the Xmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Tenny Burch.

Dr. G. W. Presnell was called from Sikeston Sunday to see C. C. Stewart, who has been very ill for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Singleton of Chaffee spent from Monday until Wednesday with relatives in Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elderbrooks were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children visited relatives in East Prairie Sunday.

Bill Wilson arrived in Matthews Sunday from St. Louis to spend Xmas with his wife and babies. Mrs. Wilson having been here several weeks visiting relatives.

Mrs. Moore and son, Veron Moore, of Coffeeville, Kansas, arrived in Matthews Sunday to spend the Xmas holidays with their daughter and sister, Mrs. G. D. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Miss Elreno Shelton of Sikeston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit and Miss Frankie Deane of New Madrid, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane.

Roy Sutton arrived Sunday from Colorado to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sutton.

B. F. Swartz and Mrs. Lola McCloud were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz Tuesday.

Mrs. Martha Story and Miss Jessie Anderson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan of Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and two sons and little daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Deane at a Christmas dinner, which was also Mrs. Deane's birthday.

The Xmas entertainment which was given here Xmas eve was a grand success. Everybody seemed happy and pleased. Much praise is due Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. Frank Ratcliff for the success of the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley and Miss Pauline Graham of Sikeston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. James Smith had all their children and grandchildren at a Xmas feast Tuesday.

Druard King arrived home Thursday from Fulton, Mo., where he is attending school, to spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King.

Miss Virginia Mills of West Plains, is visiting relatves here.

Mrs. Charles Clarke and daughter, Miss Ollie, of Sikeston, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn., were guests at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt, Christmas.

Mrs. Cyrilda Roberts and George Elderbrooks stole a march on their friends last Wednesday night and went out like a real romantic couple to Rev. Hardings and were married. We wish them much joy.

Rev. Johnson, P. E. and Rev. Gonette, our pastor, were in Matthews Sunday. The presiding elder preached and our young pastor added much to the choir by his trumbone.

Rev. S. S. Surface, Mrs. Amanda Long and daughter, Miss Sallie, left Tuesday morning for Oak Ridge to visit.

W. O. Carrol left Saturday for Mountain Grove, Ill., where he spent the Xmas holidays with his parents. Mrs. Carrol went to Fredericktown to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Emma Andrews.

The Xmas tree and entertainment given at White Oak School No. 2 Friday evening of last week, was a success. Many presents were on the tree. Each childr received from their teacher a stocking filled with fruits and candy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McGee had as their guests at a Xmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sikes and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Daughtery and babe of Sikeston.

ACCIDENTAI DEATH OF OTIS HEISSERER

The news that Otis Heisserer being accidentally killed at Oran, Saturday, was sorrowing news to friends and acquaintances.

The young man was home from St. Louis for a visit with relatives and wsa making preparations for reutrn to the city when the accident happened. An automatic pistol that he owned was handed to him by a friend to be placed in his handbag when, for some unaccountable reason, the pistol was discharged, the bullet entering his body under the arm. Death was instantaneous.

The funeral was held in Oran Monday afternoon, after which the body was laid to rest in the Catholic Cemetterq.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ferrell and family moved into their new home on Matthews avenue, Thursday.

A. E. Shankle has sold his new house in the Chamber of Commerce addition to Mrs. Sara St. Clair.

Miss Roberta Noble, of St. Louis, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. I. Noble.

Medford Welch, who is with the Standard Oil Company, at Springfield, Mo., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Welch, on Dorothy Street.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual stockholders' meeting of the Peopes Bank of Sikeston will be held at its banking house in the city of January, 1924.

Said meeting will be convened at 9 o'clock a. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect seven directors for the said bank, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

F. M. SIKES, President.

Attest:
R. F. ANDERSON, Secretary.

FORD'S CHANCES FOR MUSCLE SHOALS GOOD

Washington, December 20.—Henry Ford probably will win that which he has yearned for far more than the presidency, namely, Muscle Shoals.

The inside story of the events leading up to Mr. Ford's latest pronouncement in favor of President Coolidge indicates that the automobile king at no time took seriously the efforts of his friends to get for him a political nomination, but that he took no steps to repress them sooner because he saw an advantage in exhibiting to Congress the political strength he could comand.

When one of the manager of the McAdoo boom in South Dakota remarked that he was "for McAdoo for President and Ford for Muscle Shoals", he gave expression to something that has only lately been impressed on political Washington. For Ford, it will be recalled, has felt for several months that he did not get a square deal on his Muscle Shoals proposition and that he could give the farmers of the country cheaper fertilizer of the Government would really co-operate with him.

The first sign of true co-operation came from President Coolidge himself. The President told the country in his first message to Congress that he believed Muscle Shoals should be privately operated if satisfactory arrangements could be made to guarantee that certain experiments would be carried out and fertilizer furnished at low rates. Ford came to the White House after the message had been prepared, but before it was made public. No changes were made in the message, but Ford was told of certain plans for the execution of the suggestions made in the mesage.

Secretary Wallace of the Department of Agriculture had been drafting certain bills for introduction in Congress which it was hoped would meet Ford more than half way. The Detroit manufacturer did not comment on the amended suggestions to his offer, but he left the White House in a genial mood. He had at last been assured of fair consideration of his offer. Up to that time there had been some reason to believe that political fear of Ford's ambitions had had as much to do with halting the Muscle Shoals proposition as anything else. Ford went back to Detroit and with a single statement eliminated himself from the presidential contest and at the same time gave the Coolidge campaign its most significant boost thus far. The President has been classed as a conservative. Ford has been looked upon as particularly strong with the farmers of the country and the radicals. Yet he finds Mr. Coolidge worthy of support. Ford also opposes the bonus and favors the Mellon tax plan.

Speaking of Muscle Shoals, it is interesting to point out in this connection that the Democrats have been lining up in favor of giving it to Ford on proper terms. Bernard M. Baruch, one of the leading backers of the McAdoo candidacy and himself one of the leading Jews of America, swept aside consideration of the anti-Jewish campaign conducted by Ford's associates and announced that, after a careful study of the subject by engineers he had especially employed, the Government should accept Ford's offer.

Had President Harding lived he would have had Ford's support for renomination and re-election. He wrote Mr. Harding a letter promising support, though it never was made public. Ford gave then virtually the same reasons he is giving now for supporting Mr. Coolidge. He doesn't want to see the country disturbed by a presidential contest. His motto, in effect, which may become that of the Republican candidate, is "let well enough alone".

M. G. Gresham is in Caruthersville this week on business.

H. A. Gentry and two children are spending Christmas at Boonville, Ind., visiting relatives and frineds.

Miss Effie Campbell was the guest of Mrs. B. F. Marshall and family of Cape Girardeau, Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Stearns and children of Lilbourn are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farris and Mrs. Joe Linton and son spent Christmas as guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Barger of Wardell visited Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Gresham and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barger during the Christmas holidays.

Australia has prohibited the importation of adult bees to prevent the introduction of serious diseases of adult bees, such as the Isle of Wight disease. An exception is made of the United States, this being the only country from which importations are permitted, according to the Bureau of Entomology, United States Department of Agriculutre.

GREETINGS

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Married by Rev. S. P. Brite at the Baptist Church on December 25th, at 8:15 a. m., Mr. Wm. H. McGinnis of Blue Jay, West Virginia and Miss Fredie Helen Essary of Sikeston. Only a few near relatives and friends were present to witness the ceremony.

The bride is a very popular young woman, who is a daughter of Mr. Essary, who is connected with McKnight-Keaton Wholesale Grocery Co.

Mr. McGinnis has been in the Philippine Islands for the past three years and has known his bride since she was a little girl.

The newlyweds will visit in Kentucky before going to West Virginia to visit the groom's parents.

Islands Denuded by Eruption In 1883 Restored By Nature

Berlin, December 27.—How long does it take to "let in the jungle?" Much less time than had been supposed, for Mother Nature is a fairly fast worker, according to the reports of scientists regarding their observations in the Krakatau Islands.

The flora of these islands was completely destroyed in 1883 by a volcanic eruption. Since they are quite uninhabited and lie 25 miles from the nearest mainland, an unusual opportunity was afforded to learn how long nature would require to re-establish former floral conditions. New seed could be brought to the island only by the wind, the waves or birds. The German scientist Stark gives a report in a scientific periodical of the observation made.

Three years after the volcanic outbreak, Treub visited the islands and was able to identify 25 different kinds of plants. Ten years later the number had risen to 62 and after another 10 years to 108. The vegetation is now precisely as it was in 1883, with some 300 varieties of plants and all typical growths of a primeval forest. Nature has thus done her work completely in less than 40 years.

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LOST—Tortoise rim shell glasses in case. Call Mrs. Clay Stubbs.

FOR SALE—House, 7 rooms, near factory addition. See Roly McDonald.

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FOR RENT—6-room house, light, heath, bath, furnished. Will rent for 2 or 3 months.—Mrs. Levi Cook.

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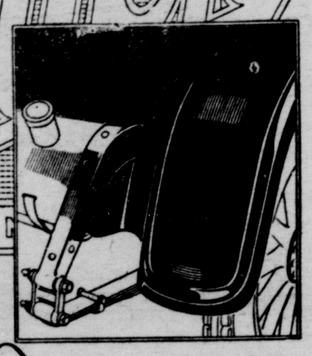

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"I suffered with my back; a very weak feeling in my limbs.

"I felt hardly able to drag; just tired—so tired all the time.

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If you are in a run-down physical condition, suffering as this Indiana lady says she did, give Cardui a fair trial. It should help you.

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To Our Good Friends and Patrons

To you whose friendship and good will have helped to make the past year a satisfactory one to us we send our cordial appreciation, and our sincere wishes for a

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Board of Directors of Cotton Association Hold Meeting at New Madrid

The members of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association held their monthly meeting at New Madrid last Thursday, December 20th. All members of the Board were present except Presidnt Caverno. A. R. Zimmerman, Vice-President of the Association, presided.

In view of the fact that it will take an enormous amount of production credit to make this next year's crop for the farmers in Southeast Missouri, the possibilities of organizing Intermediate Credit Associations were discussed. Arrangements will be made for a conference with the Intermediate Bank officials at St. Louis as soon as possible.

The matter of selling cotton thru the national cotton growers exchange was discussed and the Board went on record as favoring closer co-operation with the American Cotton Growers Exchange in selling cotton rather than each State Association working independently.

Cotton Growers Association Send Distribution to Members.

On December the 19th, the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association mailed to their members of the Tennessee Association and to the members of the Missouri Association a distribution of proceeds of sales. This distribution is on a percentage basis according to the base value of the cotton and according to the amount pooled by each member. This total distribution amounts to approximately $1,000,000.

Southeast Mo. Teachers College To Market Cotton Thru Association

The Agricultural Department of the Southeast Missouri Teachers College will market their cotton thru the Missouri Cotton Growers Co-operative Association. An application for membership was received by the Association office at New Madrid on December 18. Shipping instructions and tags have been sent the Agricultural Department of the College in order that they may ship their crop produced this year. The Field Crops Division of the Agricultural Department is in charge of Jas. C. Logan.

The Teachers College held a short course of instruction for the farmers of Southeast Missouri during the week of December 17th.

Cotton Association Members in November Distribution Received $15,390

The members of the Missouri Association received in their November distribution which was on a per bale basis received $15,390.

The amount of money received by members per county and number of members receiving distribution are as follows:

New Madrid Count, $6,250, 81 members.
Mississippi, $41,150; 61 members.
Scott $1,976; 38 members.
Stoddard, $1,330; 55 members.
Pemiscot, $540; 15 members.
Cape Girardeau, $460; 5 members.
Dunklin, $440; 7 members.
Butler, $150; 5 members.
Ripley, $100; 3 members.

A distribution on a percentage basis is being sent out by the Association prior to the holidays.

New Madrid Farm Bureau To Hold Its Annual Meeting January 18.

The New Madrid County Farm Bureau will hold its regular annual meeting on January 18, 1924 at the County Court House. Besides the election of officers, a very interesting program is being arranged, the main feature of which will be the new motion picture film showing places and people familiar to everyone in Southeast Missouri. I. D. Trotter is to speak also. Mr. Trotter is the cotton specialist for the University of Missouri and has had a wide experience in the raising of and experimenting with cotton. The things Mr. Trotter will talk about will be of interest to every man in New Madrid County, who is growing cotton.

The executive committee urges all members to remember the date and be sur to attend. It also extends an invitation to the public and all who can be present will be sure to have a good time besides learning of the work that is being done by the farmers of New Madrid County. Don't forget the date—come and bring a friend.

First Car of Sodatol from Ashburn, Mo., With New Madrid as Destination

The new government explosive sodatol, which is to be used to replace the now exhausted supply of picric acid in the blasting of stumps, is rapidly becoming popular. The first car load for Southeast Missouri was shipped from the Ashburn plant on the 21st of December, with New Madrid as the destination. The car contains 35,000 pounds of the explosive, most of which was ordered in advance, although there is a small surplus which may be had by anyone desiring to make use of this explosive for agricultural purposes. Orders must be sent through the county extension agent and should be placed immediately.

The Standard $1.50 per year.

STATE WHEAT ACREAGE REDUCED 25 PER CENT

Jefferson City, Mo., December 22.—The State Board of Agriculture and the Government Crop Estimate Bureau delayed the crop report for the purpose of securing something like correct estimates on the average planted in wheat. The figures show that the acreage planted this year for next year's wheat crop decreased 25 per cent from last year. The acreage is back to where it was some ten years ago. The cause for the slim crop is assigned to several reasons, one of them being the low price of wheat, another the cost of labor and a desire on the part of the farmers to plant more cotton and more hay. Bad weather delayed seeding very much.

The joint report of the two departments indicates that if the winter is unfavorable the yield of wheat will be cut down considerably, as it is not in condition to stand hard freezing and thawing.

Persistent rains all over the state during the fall months have left a considerable part of the corn standing in the fields. But 64 per cent of corn has been taken from the fields up to date.

The cost of farm labor has increased. For work in the corn fields it ranged from $2.10 to $2.20 a day. Some of the farm help is moving from the country to the cities, and the demand exceeds the supply.

The official report of the two departments follows:

The Missouri wheat crop seeded for the 1924 harvest is 2,225,000 acres, or 75 per cent of the 2,967 acres seeded last year, according to E. A. Logan and Jewell Mayes of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Board of Agriculture.

The reduction of 25 per cent from the 1922 sowing was due to low prices at harvest time, high wages, chinch bugs, Hession fly and a desire to change to hay, soy beans and corn in the northern counties and cotton in the southern. The area closely approximates the acreages of the first decade of this century. The greatest reduction is in the northwest counties, where chinch bugs and fly were very bad last summer, and in the southeastern counties of Mississippi, Scott and New Madrid, in anticipation of increased cotton acreage. Oldtme wheat counties have reduced their acreage least, and those counties not growing wheat before the war have cut down their acreage decidedly. Central counties south of the river and in the extreme south that bread themselves reduced their acreage least. The reduction extended to lessening the number of farms seeding wheat and reducing the acreage per farm, as shown by special seeding returns, which indicates only 76 per cent as many farms sowing wheat as one year ago.

On the farms seeding wheat last year 15.02 per cent of the farm acreage was in wheat, while this fall these same farms only had 8.68 per cent devoted to wheat. The present wheat condition is 85 per cent of the December normal, which, from past experience with a condition around this figure, indicates a range next year of from 12½ to 15.7 bushels per acre, or an expectation of 12.6 bushels.

Very little insect infestation is reported, with only occasional grasshopper damage; seed bed was fairly well prepared in most sections, and growth is small on account of late seeding due to much rain. Seeding continued well towards the end of November. Wheat generaly is affording very little pasturage in Missouri. Plants have stooled but little, and an adverse winter might result in much abandonment, as in former years a condition of 85 per cent was often followed by heavy winter kill.

Rye condition is 89 per cent upon a slightly less acreage than last year. Fall plowing is behind last year, with only 50 per cent of the work done compared to 66 per cent in 1922, having been too wet, and much of the plowing is poorly done in northern sections.

Corn is only 64 per cent out of the field against 72 per cent last fall. Fields have been too wet in the Northwest and delay has been occasioned by other field work such as wheat seeding and cotton picking. Quality is not so good as last year, and much rotten corn is found.

Wages are $2.10 per day for standing corn, and $2.20 in the shock, or 6 cents per bushel standing and 7½ cents for corn in the shock. Farm wages show a slight increase over last year, with $32 paid per month when boarded, or $1.60 per day, and without board $42 per month, or $2.10 per day. The farm labor supply is 94 per cent of the demand, with some help moving from farm to town, and farmers consider wages too high for the returns from wheat, hogs and cattle.

The farm price of wood is higher than last year, with about the same proportions of wood and coal used, the average being fourteen cords of wood per farm and coal 165 bushels per farm. Farm-grown fuel is generally growing scarcer and higher, especialy in the West and North, but the south central counties have plenty of wood.

Garden products average $65 value per farm against $58 last year.

Farm work is somewhat behind that of last year. Considerable corn is yet in the field. Country roads in many counties are in bad condition, delaying the movement of produce to market. Shipments of hogs are heavy, and feeders are reluctant to put cattle and hogs in the lots at prevailing prices of corn.

The Farmer and the Railroads

THIS article and several more to follow, is for the farmer because, from the early days of the Republic until now, Agriculture and Transportation have been the two greatest and most fundamental industries in America and the well-being of either inseparably involves the well-being of the other. In the last analysis, Agriculture and Transportation must stand or fall together. Unless the railroads are able to supply adequate and dependable transportation service when and as required, the farmer loses the advantage of favorable markets and much of his yearly toil is wasted.

Many self seeking persons have been industriously endeavoring to make the farmer believe the railroads are chiefly responsible for the misfortunes of Agriculture. In this way they hope to make more secure their place as the "friends of the farmer." But I do not believe that farmers generally can be so easily led by a mere appeal to supposed prejudice. I believe the farmer will demand all of the facts and I hope these articles will prove helpful in providing them. Farmers will have much influence in determining the future of the railroads—whether the railroads will become the playthings of politicians or whether the government will safeguard the property rights of the public and give a square deal to those citizens who have billions of dollars invested in railroad properties.

To get a correct conception of the inter-dependence of Agriculture and Transportation, it is necessary that we go back to the time when what now is the Corn Belt was a virgin wilderness. President Harding, in an address at Kansas City last summer, told how, as late as 1840, wheat sold at 40 cents a bushel and hogs at 3 cents a pound, and the reason, he said, was "lack of transportation facilities." The building of the railroads changed all that. Not only did they put the farmers in touch with the markets of the world but they also carried to the frontiers of civilization the Storekeeper, the Preacher, the Doctor, the Schoolmaster, the Postmaster and the Banker; and in addition to carrying the products of the farms to market, they carried the products of factories—of Civilization, if you please—into what, but for the railroads, must have remained a wilderness.

Suppose that some morning the news should suddenly come to your community that your railroad had "quit?" That it had died! What an indescribe calamity! And yet, that very thing has happened right here in the Corn Belt. And the result has been that the farm lands of a great many farmers depreciated perhaps 30 per cent over night because of their isolation from shipping facilities.

For a number of years, and until ten years ago, there was built in America an average of more than 5,000 miles of railroad every year but during the last six years more railroad has been taken up or abandoned than has been built. And this has happened in the face of the fact that the Nation's freight traffic is increasing at the rate of 50 to 100 per cent every ten years. This is today the most profoundly serious question that confronts the American people.

In the foregoing I have tried to explain how vital Transportation is to the LIFE of Agriculture. We need not go back to the beginning of the Missouri Pacific when the richest bottom lands of the Corn Belt could be bought for $1.25 an acre. In 1890, in Illinois and Wisconsin and the states west of the Mississippi River, the average value of all farms was $4,366 per farm. In 1900 this had increased to $4,966. In 1910 the average was $9,900 and in 1920 it was $18,800, or an increase of 575 per cent in value in thirty years. Is there a farmer in the Middle West who will contend that this increased value would have been possible except for the railroads?

Should not the farmer regard the railroads as his friends rather than as his enemies? And should he not be the first to demand that the railroads get a "square deal?" To say the least, the farmer should examine carefully into the charges made against the railroads. Honest and competent criticism always is welcome, for such criticism is constructive—but the Republic was not built by those who seek to destroy and tear down; nor can it live by such process.

I solicit co-operation and suggestions.

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WHERIN JUDGE MAKES A "MAN" OUT OF A SHEIK

Omaha, Neb., December 24.—When Irvn Applebaum faced Judge Dineen in Municipal Court there last week he had long hair, sideburns, bell-bottom trousers, spats and a royal air.

"Officer, take this man to a barber shop, have his hair cut, remove those sideburns, throw away his spats and get him a pair of American trousers", the Court ordered. "I'm going to make a man of him".

"Oh, Judge, don't cut his hair', pleaded Peggy Hall, with whom Applebaum was arrested. "You'll simply ruin him."

"What's he good for, anyway?" asked the Court.

"He' the best dancer in town," Peggy told Judge Dineen.

But the court was obdurate. "Bring him back here when the barbers are through with him", the Judge told the officer.

An hour later Applebaum was back in court. He had an "Irish" hair cut. The sideburns were gone. So were the spats and the bell-bottom trousers. He told the Judge he would give up the Sheik stuff.

Applebuam is a shoe salesman. He spent his evenings at public dance halls where he was considered a great drawing card. When three or four "Shebas" were arrested for shoplifting, Applebaum was picked up and brought to court on a charge of vagrancy.

Mrs. John Pearson and daughter of Cape Girardeau visited with her daughter, Mrs. Van Brannock here. The Pearsons are moving to Sikeston.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

CHARLESTONIAN HELD UP ON KINGSHIGHWAY

Marion Rowe, manager of the music department of The Lair Company was held up and robbed of $4.50 on Wednesday night on Kingshighway, half way between New Madrid and Sikeston.

Marion had been down to Parma to deliver an Edison phonograph. The buyer tendered him $135 in cash but Marion told the purchaser to give him a check for $130 and $5 in cash as he might need that amount for expenses on his return home. He stopped at New Madrid to obtain something to eat about 6:30 and then departed for Charleston. When about half way between Sikeston and New Madrid he came upon a party who seemed to have car trouble. They flagged him down and two men asked if they could not ride to Sikeston for repairs. He gave his consent and one sat with him in the seat while the other climbed on the rear end, the car being a piano car. After driving a short ace one announced that ther car was repaired and they would get out and asked Marion to stop the car. He did so, when one of them asked him if he had any money. He replied that he had a small amount and they then commanded him to "stick 'em up". Marion complied and they rifled his pockets and obtained the $4.50 and got off, while Marion drove to Sikeston and then on home.

It is said that this is getting to be a frequent occurrence on Kingshighway. Most every week there are from two to three of such escapades pulled off and if this is so it will be only a matter of time until one of these easy money getters will get his for someone will bore a hole through one of them that you can throw a dog through and it should be done.—Charleston Times.

Fine actions which are hidden are the most worthy.

The home stretch of 1923 is about finished. Thanks to the cotton crop and other Providential favors most of us are finishing stronger than we started and the future looms brightly ahead. Opportunity for hard work and useful service in the community is not lacking. Genuine co-operation by our peaple throughout '24 will relegate "hard times" to the rear and cause every sincere worker to feel proud that he is a citizen of Charleston and Mississippi county. The question is, when the bell rings for the start of the New Year, will you be ready to soy, "Let's Go!"—Lair in Charleston Times.

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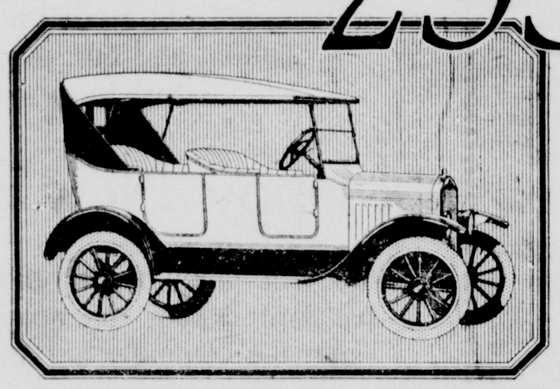

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Happy New Year

Our employes join us in extending you the heartiest greetings for a Happy New Year.

May 1924 bring no sorrows or reverses to you and yours—may each day be filled with cheer and prosperity.

Farmers Grocery Company

1924 GREETINGS

I wish to thank my many friends from the fullness of my heart for their patronage during the year just closing and wish each and every one a

New Year Filled With Many Rich Blessings

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The Sikeston Tailor

The Monroe Doctrine

The Monroe Doctrine is nothing at bottom but a policy of the United States. It is not, strictly speaking, a part of international law. But it has won recognition of virtually all natinos. It was embodied, by reference, in the treaties of the Hague, and was especially designated in the Covenant of the League of Nations. No one supposes that it will ever be abandoned, though it may be re-interpreted from time to time. But the conditions under which it originated have vastly changed. In 1823 the United States was weak, by comparison, with a future stil problematic. Now this nation leads all the world, at least in potential power, and its favor is sought by all the world, at least in potential power, and its favor is sought by all. No longer is it necessary for America as a measure of policy or military prudence to seek alliances. We can affirm and maintain the Monroe Doctrine according to our own good pleasure.

With this sense of self-sufficing might there surely must be a feeling of responsibility. The giant's power must be used with moderation and with due regard to the rights and the needs of others. The vital things in the Monroe Doctrine are the things that should be most emphasized and clung to at this centenary epoch. They include beyond all dispute the defense of national independence and free fovernment, and a cordial working together with nations like-minded across the sea, in order to keep the earth swinging true in the orbit of liberty, peace and humane progress. —New York Times.

Some fellows are only happy when they think they are putting crepe on the town in which they live, and the worst of it is, these fellows generally live so long that they have no teeth to gnash when they die and go to—oh, well, you know where they go.—Hopkins, Mo., Journal.

Charlie Randol had a fat Jersey steer that a Jackson trader offered him fifteen dollars for, just one half of its value. Dock Robinson put him next to a Mr. Sides from near Pocahontas who dealt in beef. He got the phone busy. Mr. Sides came down last Wednesday and butchered the steer giving Charlie so much a pound. His part amounted to some odd cents over $27.00. Mr. Sides would have to add the tariff on it besides the hide all told it would make the steer bring over double $15.00. Mr. Sides was in a hurry and remarked he was not going to fool with the tallow, anyone was welcome to it. Little Bachelor got busy. The result was he got nearly six pounds of tallow.—Little Bachelor in Jackson Cash-Book.

WHEN FARMER CAN'T BUY NEW TIRES, CITY GIRL CAN'T BUY DENTAL CREAM

E. T. Meredith, of Des Moines, former Secretary of Agriculture, told members of the American Petroleum Institute at Hotel Statler Tuesday night how farm conditions affect them and men in all other lines of business.

"While I was in a store in New York recently," he related, "I saw a girl buying a tube of dental cream. I asked her at what work she was engaged. 'I am a stenographer', she replied. Are you interested in agriculture in Madison County, Iowa, or Texas?' 'I never saw a farm and wouldn't know one if I did'. I went to see the lawyer who employed her. 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Not a bit. I am employed by a bank. That takes all my time'. I went to the banker, and asked, 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'No, we have no farmers' deposits. We have no farmers' loans'. 'With whom do you do business?' 'Steel corporations largely'. I went to a steel corporation. 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Not a particle. We never sold a farmer a piece of steel. We only manufacture structural steel.' 'To whom did you sell your last order?' 'Bill Smith of Rock Island, Ill'.

"I saw Bill Smith and said to him, 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Well, I should say so. Why, we sell the farmer trucks and tires. We sell him wire fences; we sell him roofing; we sell him a thousand things. And we just bought some structural steel last week to build a new unit to our factory'.

"All right, no tire order—no structural order—no structural steel order—no steel company; no steel company—no bank; a bank without deposits—no lawyer; a lawyer without a client—no stenographer; and no stenographer—no dental cream.

"Whenever one single sources of farm income takes a slump, the calamity howlers make so much of it that many of you are led to overestimate its effect upon general business as was in recent months the case with wheat.

"To read the speeches quoted almost daily in our newspapers, one would think that the farmer received his entire income from wheat, and yet actual 1922 production figures show that the farmer received less for his wheat than he did for his corn, hay, cotton or vegetables, as well as from several sources of animal product income. The farmer received thre times as much for his milk, for instance, as he did from wheat.

"While it is true that a decreased income from any one farm product such as wheat is a serious blow to the farmers who are depending on this one crop for their major income, we should keep in mind when considering agriculture as a whole that a slump in any one product does not materially impair agriculture purchasing power as a whole.

"Now, when does the farmer receive his income? I had a man say to me last summer, 'There is no use talking about the farmer now. He hasn't the money.' I said, 'Why hasn't he?' 'He spent it last October and November'. How did he happen to spend it then?' 'That is when he received it'.

"And this was a big business man. I wouldn't refer to it here excpet that you may be able to set somebody else right, because the idea that the farmer gets his income in the fall is quite prevalent. I said to this friend, 'Well, the farmers of this country received for dairy products in 1922 over $2,000,000,000. This is a lot of money more than the total value of the corn crop. And if he sold his milk in October, it is going to be sour along next Fourth of July.' He didn't sell it then. He sells it every week.

"And the business man sad, 'How about the corn?'

"He doesn't sell much corn. He doesn't literally. What he sells are hogs and cattle, and they are fed on the corn in the winter, and sold as fat cattle and hogs throughout the winter and spring. This isn't fall money. He doesn't get his wool just as winter is coming on either; the wool is a spring clip. He sells poultry and eggs to the amount of one thousand million dollars and this comes in a steady stream of income throughout the year—if anything, more in the spring and summer than other seasons.

"There are 6,500,000 farms in the United States. Each one in reality a small factory. Altogether they are going to spend 10, 12 or 14 billion dollars a year just to keep going, no matter whether they make money or not, no matter whether they have a surplus or not. Of these farms, tens of thousands will need, for instance, a chicekn yard, just a chicken yard, but to build it they will need some woven wire, they will need some nails, some paint and lumber. Altogether, it will cost, say $50. Well, an order for even 100,000 chicken yards at $50 makes a nice order; and 100,000 is but one-half of one per cent of the possibilities. Some of these farmers will need a little strip of wire here and there, and then a lot of roofs will leak on barns and houses, and they will need some new window glass and they will need some new shoes and hats and coats. Thruout the whole year they need large quantities of foodstuffs; breakfast foods, flour, soap and canned fruits and supplies of all kinds. There are 11,000,000 men, as many women, and 20,000,000 children on these farms and they all buy or have things bought for them. Of course, you men in town don't think that the farmers purchase any new hats and shirts, and so on and so forth. What you lack is imagination. You don't see this field.

"And are they buying, these people with this $14,000,000,000 who have to have new equipment and food and clothing and hundreds of different lines of merchandise? Well, they have bought the major portion of all the automobiles. The average farmer has more machinery, so far as the product he turns out and the length of life of the machines are concerned, than any one of you; very much more in proportion. He has $3,600,000,000 invested in machinery, and if the life of it is 10 years, then he must pay $360,000,000 a year for renewals on his machinery alone.

"He has $11,000,000,000 invested in farm buildings, and if they last 40 years, he has put to more than $250,000,000 a year in building just for replacements, to say nothing of money spent for additional buildings.

"Of the 6,500,000 farms in the United States 644,000 of these farm houses have running water, and that's only 10 per cent. There are nine times as many yet to serve. There are 453,000 that have gas or electricity in their houses. That's only 7 per cent. There are 93 per cent yet as a market. There are 132,000 motor trucks and 229,000 tractors—2 per cent and 3 per cent. There is 50 times as big a market as has yet been served. There is the market for carpets and pianos and clothing and other things. But what does the average manufacturer and his sales manager know about this fiedl?"

The Bolivia Chamber of Deputies recently passed a law requiring medical certificates for marriage and prohibiting tne marriage of persons suffering from tuberculosis or other infectious diseases.

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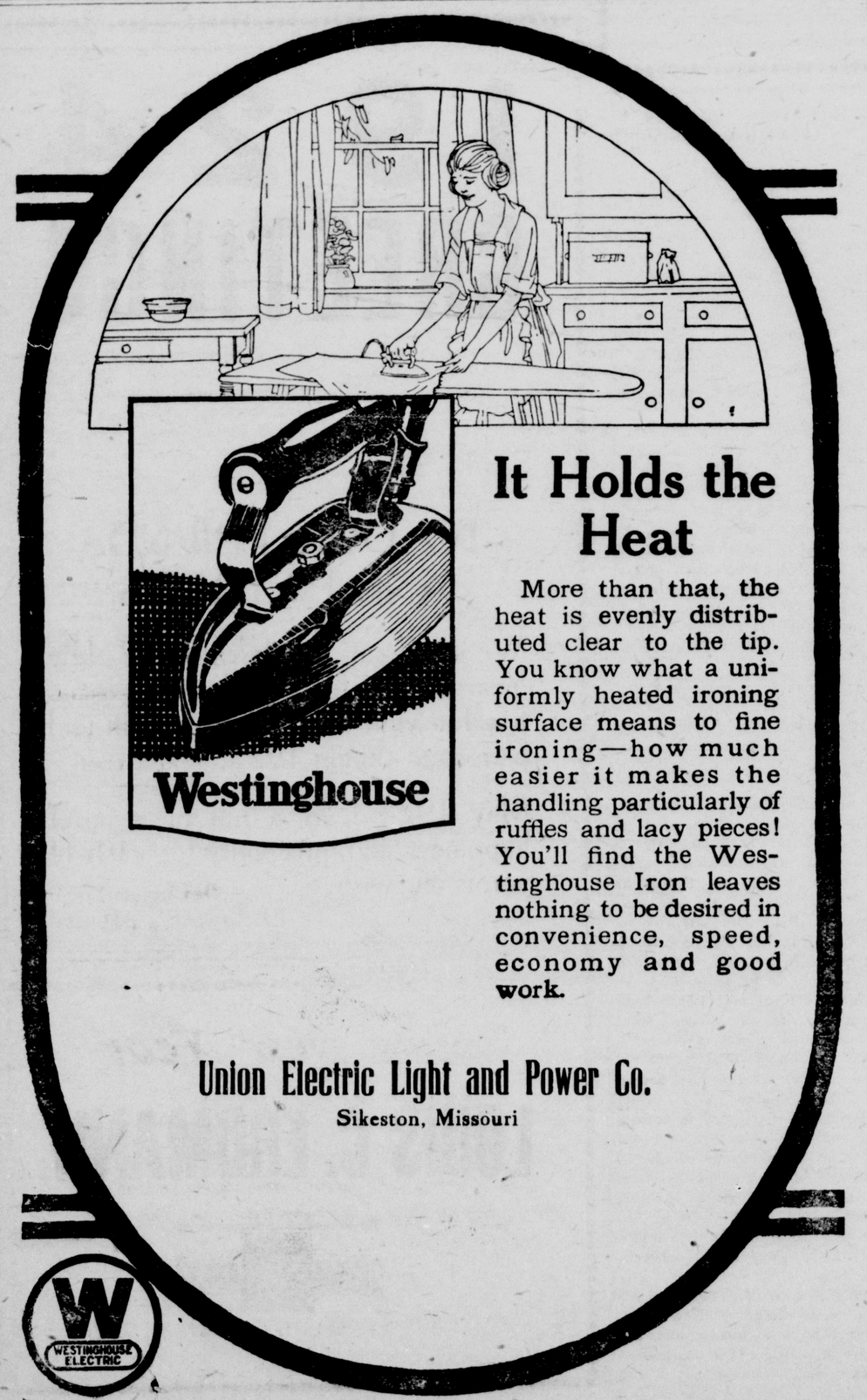

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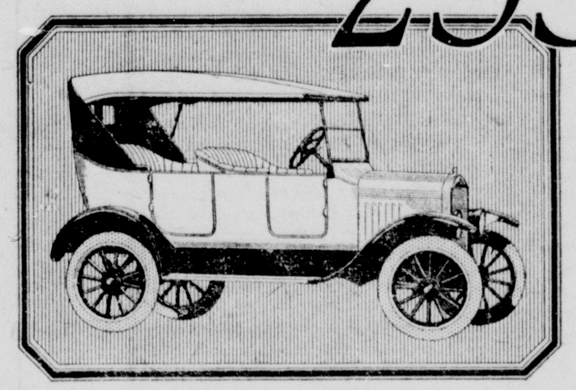

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Kansas City—Illinois Power and Light Co. buys Armour holdings in Kansas City Power Securities Co.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by Fred P. Howden and his wife, Eleanor Howden, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, and recorded on the second day of March, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, in the office of Recorded of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in book number 45 at page number 24, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lots numbered Sixteen (16) and Seventeen (17) in Block number Thirty-one (31) of McCoy and Tanner's Sixth Addition to the town or cnty of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1923

between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. of said day, sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Postoffice in the town or city of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING,
Trustee.

First publication 12-7-'23.

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Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by F. H. Briggs and his wife, Lola Briggs, dated August Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Two, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth day of September, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Two, in the office of Recorder of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45 at Page number 18, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lots numbered Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), and Sixteen (16) feet off the West side of lot number Thirteen (13), all in Block number Forty-Four (44) of McCoy and Tanner's Eighth Addition to the city of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust, having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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All of lots Four (4) and Five (5) in Block number Nine (9) in McCoy and Tanner's Second Addition to the town or city of Sikeston, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust, having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Fred M. Mirly, single and unmarried, by his certain Deed of Trust dated the first day of July, 1917 and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 37 pages 171-2-3 conveyed to Louis Breiling and the St. Louis Union Trust Company all his right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

All of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) Section Eleven (Sec. 11), Township Twenty-Eight North (Twp. 28 N.) Range Fourteen East (14E.) containing, according to Government Survey One Hundred and Sixty acres (160 A.) more or less.

And, whereas, said deed of trust provided that in case the said Louis Breiling and The St. Louis Union Trust Company refused to act as trustees if foreclosure became necessary, that the undersigned Sheriff of Scott County Missouri should succeed to all their rights as such trustees and should act as substitute trustee.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of one certain promissory note in said deed described, and the performance of certain stipulated conditions therein contained, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, and whereas the stipulated conditions have been breached, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at door of the Court House in the town of Benton, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on SATURDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1924, between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

WILLIAM KIRKENDALL,
Sheriff of Scott County,
Acting Trustee.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1923

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ACTIVITIES OF CITY UNDER MAYOR FELKER

Two years ago this coming April, after the election was over, many of our business men keenly watched the running or management of our City by our young and new Mayor, C. E. Felker. In viewing the situation they soon was able to see that the management of the City was placed in the hands of a young fellow who was thoroughly qualified to fill the place well and one that was not afraid to do things.

Mayor Felker took hold of the reigns as mayor, full of pep and fully determined that Sikeston should have a good administration during his period as mayor. After the new mayor got into office, he carefully selected his councilmen for chairmanship of each committee and placed them to work on each committee. Mayor Felker only selected one man to the committee and informed this member that the success or failure of his committee rested entirely up to him.

After getting lined out the new City Dads purchased new street graders and equipment for the working force of the city placed them in their hands and put them to work. The editor will say right here that there has been more work done on our streets in the past two years than he has been able to see since being in Sikeston. The out streets get bad however, and are mighty hard to hold up under the heavy traffic during the rainy weather.

During Mayor Felker's term, the editor has noted very carefully, the interest and co-operation the mayor has given to the Chamber of Commerce, Lion Club, Fair Directors, Woman's Club and other organizations.

During the past two years we will say that our hat is off to this administration for the harmony they have had with the City. The City officials have been strictly in accord with each other. There has been no fussing or quarreling in the City Council whatever.

The City Council and mayor have met with the sole purpose of working out things for the City and have done it without any strife. To this splendid co-operaton we give much credit to the mayor for his management of affairs.

During the past two years we have been able to see some of the outstanding features accomplished. Among them the cleaning up, painting etc., of our Public Building, the City Hall. In the City Cemetery, the city has placed hard driveways so that you can get through in the bad weather and this cemetery is one of the best kept to be found in this part of the State. The City has done much to keep up our City Parks under the chairmanship of John Russell and out by the ice plant and water tower, the City has placed a park that in years to come will be a credit to our town. The City has placed greeting signs to the outskirts of the city and marked off our streets with white paint for auto parking. In the shoe factory boom, the City has aided to the limit. In addition to the co-operating to the fullest on this the City has placed in the sewer for the shoe factory and placed in a large water line with fire hydrants at quite a large expense to the City. Along this line we will say that we find that this administration has very successfully managed the finances of the City. After all the expense the City has been placed to in the cost of the shoe factory and other matters, the City has not had to borrow one penny from any other fund of the City during Mayor Felker's term. This is something that has not been done by any other administration lately. The City has successfully gotten through the State Service Commission an order for three railroad crossings that are very badly needed. One at the South end of Moore Avenue, that will open up the new shoe factory addition, one on South Ranney that goes by the new Russell Implement buildnig, and one by the South part of the Fair Grounds, also opens up the colored district.

Mayor Felker informs us that he has recently had the Missouri Inspection Bureau Department here in the interest of Sikeston, getting a better fire insurance rating. The City's large water pump has been standing in the way of Sikeston getting a fourth class rating instead of a four and one-half that we now have. TheBureau tested out the pump last week for this new rating.

The City has very successfully handled the light plant situation and have managed to get a better rate for our people during the past two years.

The City has also employed engineers for a survey, cost, etc., for a large sewer system for Sikeston and plan on offering bonds at an early date for an up-to-date sewer system for our town that is so badly needed. The mayor states after this goes through that the City is then ready to give the people the improvements they are asking for in paved streets, etc. The town needs to be wide awake to her possibilities. Needs white ways down in our business section. Sikeston can be made the leading town in this part of the country, if her good boosters will just be wide awake to her possibilities.

1923

An Appreciation of Your Gift to Us

You have given us a priceless gift—one that enabled us to build this business to what it is at the present for without YOUR CONFIDENCE we would not enjoy the business we have today. To merit this confidence and to serve you better is our hope and desire. To know that we enjoy your confidence and friendship has raised this business above a place to merely sell merchandise, and has made it an institution built upon a foundation of service.

Your Confidence---

Is the greatest asset this business has. We thank you for all past favors and wish you the joys of the Yuletide season and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Farmers Supply Company
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1924

It Has Been a Pleasure For Us to Serve You

We take this method of expressing our thanks to the citizens of this community for the business entrusted to us this year, and to assure you it has been a pleasure to serve you.

Accept our sincere wish for a New Year to Your Liking.

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Let Us Wish You a Real, Happy, Contented Prosperous New Year.

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The Jews and Christmas

The logic of "Christmas" giving and wishing, as far as Jewish people are concerned, is simple. Christmas gifts or greetings, going from Jewish individuals to their non-Jewish fellowmen and women—are perfectly in place. Christmas gifts or greetings, coming from Christian friends to Jewish folk, are graciously welcome. Beyond ths, Christmas gifts and wishes become inappropriated. For Jewish people to greet other Jewish folk with "Merry Christmas" is either a sacrilege or an absurdity, for the religious meaning of the day forbids that form of use. Happily, Christ mas is gradually losing the narrow theological and gaining the great humanitarian significance of general good-will. The question of the virgin birth is causing much discord in the ranks of Christian ministers today. We need not add fuel to it by asserting Jewish inability to subscribe to the doctrine. Yet the vrgin birth is what the Christmas festival chefly commemorates, in its sectarian symbolism. In the religious sense the Jew is separated from the Christian in the Christmas festival. In the sense of fellowship, of "peace on earth, good will to men"—no one is more in harmony in happy unity with all his Christian brethren than the Jew.—The Modern View.

Sports costumes for the girl who likes cold weath are examples of crocheting at its greatest splendor. Bright reds, blues, and greens, these crocheted costumes have a satisfactorily warm and heavy look without even hinting at unwieldiness.

That's What Old Caesar Did.

From the Kansas City Journal-Post.

When Caesar took a westward ride
And grabbed the Gauls for Rome,
What was the first thing that he did
To make them feel at home?
Did he increase the people's loads,
And liberty forbid?
No; he dug in and built good roads—
That's what old Caesar did.

Did Caesar put the iron heel
Upon the foemen's breast,
Or did he try to make them feel
That Rome rule was the best?
What did he do to make them glad
As he came their lands amid?
He built good roads, in place of bad—
That's what old Caesar did.

He built good roads from hill to hill,
Good roads from vale to vale:
He ran a good roads movement
Till Rome got all the kale;
He told the folks to buy at home.
Build roads their ruts to rid,
Until all roads led up to Rome—
That's what old Caesar did.

If any town would make itself
The center of the map,
Where folks will come and settle down
And live in plenty's lap;
If any town its own abodes
Of poverty would rid,
Let it go out and build good roads—
Just as old Caesar did.

—Anonymous.

SHERIFF'S POSSE TAKES TWO STILLS

Last Tuesday night Sheriff Roscoe Walker accompanied by Tom Jenkins, Bob McDougal of Bernie, Clay Burnes, Ransom Scism and Judge C. A. Crane, captured two big whiskey stills a short ways above the head of Clines Island. They were located about a mile apart. The largest of the stills was on the bank of Beaver Pond, the other was a mile further north.

A big tent that sheltered the mash barrels was destroyed along with the mash barrels and boxes. There were 56 barrels of mash; 5 bushels of corn meal; 600 pounds of sugar and 70 gallons of the finished product.

Abert Morris was arrested when he showed up at one of the stills between 3 and 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. Morris indignantly denied to the officers that he had anything to do with the operation of the stills. He said he merely came to get some of the swill to take home for his wife to make bread. He said he used it instead of buttermilk.

There will probably be other arrests follow as a result of this raid—Bloomfield Vindicator.

CONSIDERATION OF TAX REVISION POSTPONED

Washington, December 21.—Consideration of the tax revision program was suspended by the House Ways and Means Committee tonight untl after the first of the year, but Chairman Green indicated a report on the administrative features, which have been under discussion, would be made January 10. This would clear the way for consideration of soldiers' bonus legislation, under the program agreed upon by the committee.

Considerable discussion arose in an executive meeting of the committee today over proposed changes in the capital assets feature of the present tax law, whereby gains on capital transactions, including stock dividends, would be taxed under the income provision rather than on the present basis of 12½ per cent on capital gains. The working out of such a change, if found feasible, would be placed in the hands of Treasury experts.

While the entire committee will not meet again until January 3, Chairman Green will confer with a subcommittee in the meantime on some of the technical features under discussion.

No major legislation is expected to be taken before the House until the new rules have been adopted. On January 14, the thirty-day period ends, under which the House has agreed to operate by the old rules. The rules and the administrative section of the tax bill will probably be given rfist consideration on the legislative program to be adopted by the Republican conference. Bonus legislation and income tax revision would then follow, under present plans.

Nine per cent of the corn acreage of Missouri, yielding 17¼ million bushels, will be harvested by animals this season, it is estimated. Probably the crop on 447,000 acres will be put in silos and 84 per cent of the state's crop will be husked out as ear corn. The production for 1923, it is estimated, will total nearly 192 million bushels, an average of 30 bushels an acre.

In 1921, Mrs. Michael Salso, wife of an Italian workman in New York City, gave birth to quadruplets. Just recently she became the mother of triplets.

$250 FOR ONE DAY'S WORK FOR STATE PAID BY MISTAKE

Jefferson City, December 24.—The State of Missouri is indeed generous when it pays a day laborer $250 for one day of his time, valuable even as has become the efforts of those who work with their hands. H. C. Newcome, a resident of Riscoe, New Madrid county, got a draft for that amount December 4 from the State for having worked one day for the State Highway Department on a project in his home neighborhood. He put the money into circulation pronto and when the State discovered that Newcome ought to have received only $2.50, the beneficiary of this unintentional Christmas spirit had only $37 of the money left. Sorrowfully he surrendered that to Frank B. Newton, division highway engineer for Southeast Missouri.

Newton discovered the error when he handed out the State Treasurer's drafts with which highway department payrolls are met. He telegraphed to Jefferson City, where the drafts were issued, and the treasurer's office checked it back to the State auditor's force. There is was found that a jacket clerk in transferring the amount of Newcome's voucher to the jacket from which an auditor's warrant is issued, had amplified the $2.50 into $250. The warrant was issued for the larger amount and the treasurer's clerks issued a draft upon that basis. Newcome cashed his draft at the Bank of Parma, at Parma, and so far the bank is holding the sack, payment having been stopped by the state on the draft. The State doubtwill have to pay the bank, eventually and collect its money from Newcome.

One out of every five fatal accidents in the United States in 1922 was due to careless operation of motor vehicles, according to a bureau of the United States Chamber of Commerce. In 1922 more than 14,000 persons lost their lives in traffic accidents.

That anthracite coal operators be taxed according to the advantage they take of the public in charging margins on actual cost of fuel, has been recommended to Congress by the Coal Commission. It was urged that taxes fall lightly on the low-profit operator and more heavily on the high profit operator. The Commission found that profits were mounting and that there had been a large increase in the value of the mines.

PRIZE WINNERS IN BAKING CONTEST

Saturday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 were the hours and the Scott County Milling Co. lobby was the place where one of the sweetest meeting that has ever been held in Sikeston was held. It was the occasion of a cake and biscuit baking contest with the use of Juanita Baking Powder and Juanita Flour. Both the participants and the cakes come under the above compliment. Something over 60 entries were made in the contest and the exhibits drew great crowds of interested folks from Sikeston and vicinity.

The prize winners in the baking contest were:

Cake—1st, Mrs. T. F. Henry, $10; 2nd, Mrs. Tessie Lee, $5; 3rd, Mrs. Harry Dover, $4; 4, Mrs. M. L. Griffith, $3; 5th, Mrs. Frank Sikes, $2; 6, Mrs. L. E. Allard, $1.

Biscuit—1st, Mrs. Earl Malone, $5; 2nd, Mrs. Jake Taylor, $4; 3rd, Mrs. C. A. Cook, $3; 4th, Mrs. Elmos Taylor, $2; 5th, Miss Josephine Robinson, $1.00.

High School prizes: Light cake—1st, Miss Sarah Malone, $5; 2nd, Miss Forrest Carter, $4; 3rd, Miss Imogene Wright, $3; 4th, Miss Ara Jones, $2.

Dark cake—1st, Miss Sara Malone, $5; 2nd, Miss Camille Hill, $4; 3rd, Miss Forrest Carter, $3; 4th, Miss Dorris Gilbert $2.

Honorable mention (each receiving a 6-lb. sack of Juanita flour): Cake—Miss Dorris Gilbert, Mrs. Edgar Moll, Mrs. Mrs. Frank Sikes, Mrs. Warrick White, Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Mrs. A. J. McKinney, Mrs. R. Bone, Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Mrs. W. H Watkins, Mrs. A. B. Proffer, Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Mrs. C. B. Johnson, Mrs. C. B. Johnson, Mrs. M. S. Griffith, Mrs. Tom Malone, Mrs. J. A. Barber, Miss Elsie Moore, Mrs. E. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Randol Wilson, Miss Burnice Tanner, Miss Myra Tanner, Mrs. C. F. Bruton.

Biscuits—Miss Velma Pearman, Mrs. F. E. Jones, Mrs. Edgar Moll, Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mrs. Frank Sikes, Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Mrs. J. A. Barber and Mrs. Amos Buchanan.

Mrs. A. M. Dyke, president of the American committee for relief in the devastated region in France, has been elected a foreign member of the Acadmy of Agriculture.

1924 GREETINGS

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We come at the dawn of the New Year with a few words of appreciation for your splendid good will and patronage during 1923.

May 1924 hold a full measure of happiness and prosperity for each of you is our wish.

LOUIS C. ERDMANN

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Screen Scrapbook

WEEKLY PROGRAM, MALONE THEATRE

"There Are Three Things I Will Fight For—the Heart, the Cross and the Crown," Says Don Caesar

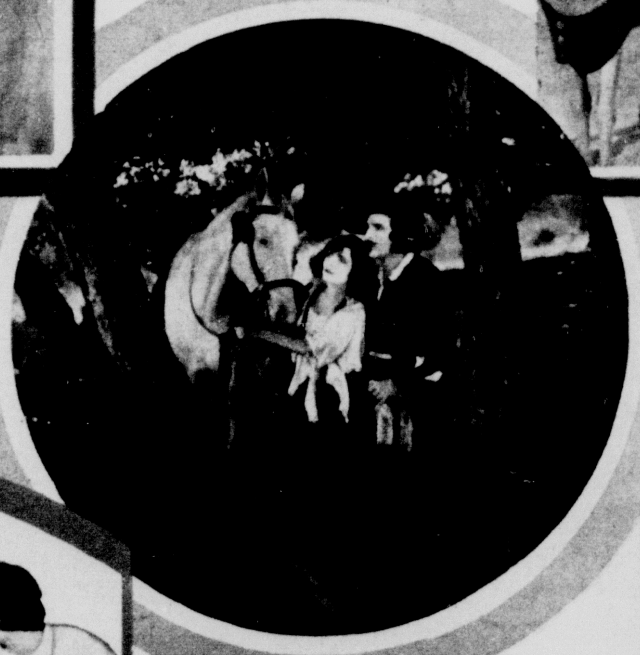
Don Caesar's creditors rouse him out of bed

(Above). You can imagine the gigantic scale upon which "The Spanish Dancer" has been filmed

The spirit of romantic old Spain lives again in this colorful tale of Love

(Left). The scene in which Don Caesar (Tony Moreno) is granted his life on condition he marries a masked bride

Just as "The Covered Wagon" made James Cruze, Herbert Brenon has become famous through directing "The Spanish Dancer"



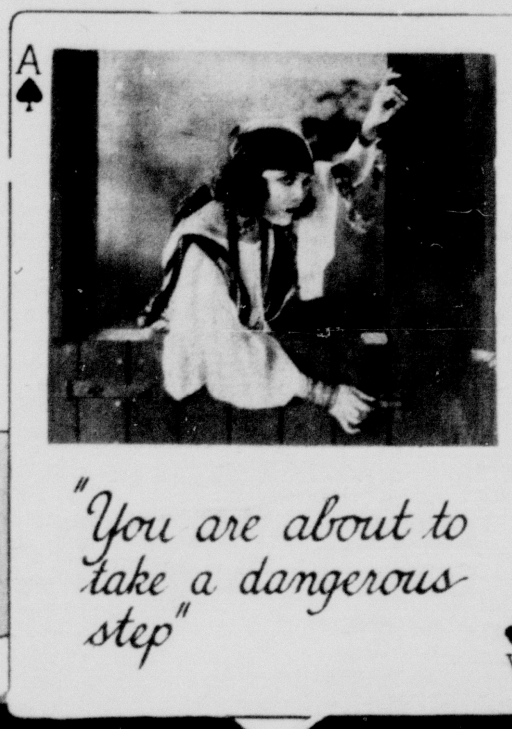
(Above). The authors of "The Two Orphans" wrote "The Spanish Dancer." June Mathis and Beulah Marie Dix adapted it to the screen

"The Spanish Dancer" is, beyond a doubt, the greatest film hit since "The Covered Wagon"

(Below). Maritana (Pola Negri) stops the duel between Don Caesar (Tony Moreno) and the King (Wallace Beery)

Adventure, thrills, the scandals of a profligate Spanish court and a brand-new Pola Negri—all in "The Spanish Dancer"

Pola Negri's Gypsy Role in "The Spanish Dancer" Suggested This Fortune-Telling Game to Her



POLA NEGRI
Fortune-Telling Game

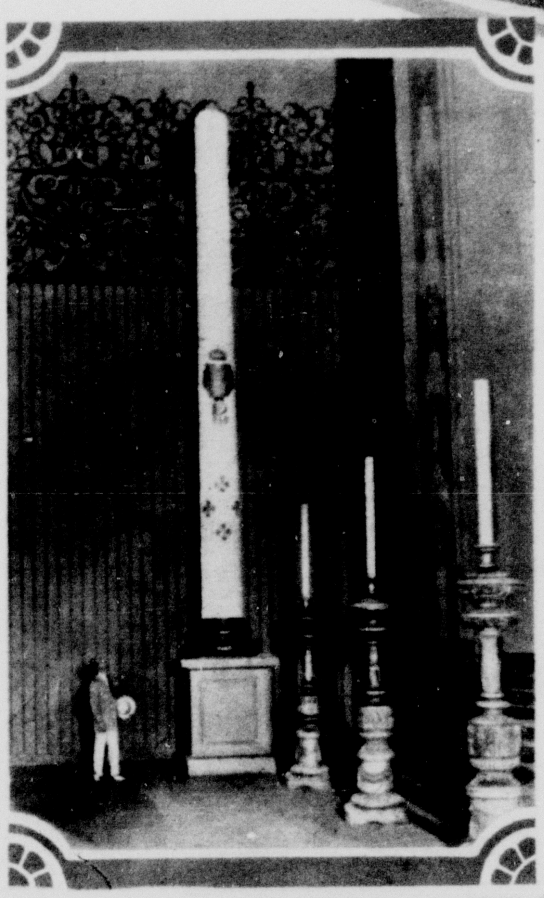
You can entertain your friends and yourself by playing this game, invented by Pola Negri. Cut out the cards on this page. Mount them on pasteboard if you like. Shuffle them. Hold them out to the person whose fortune you want to tell, backs facing them, and have them select a card. The card contains their fortune, told by Pola Negri

The famous painting of Pola Negri by the famous Polish artist, Tade Styka, exhibited in New York and now in possession of the star ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

The Romantic Spirit of Old Spain Lives Again Through the Magic of the Modern Motion Picture

(Above). Two stars, Pola Negri and William T. Tilden, 2d, American tennis champion

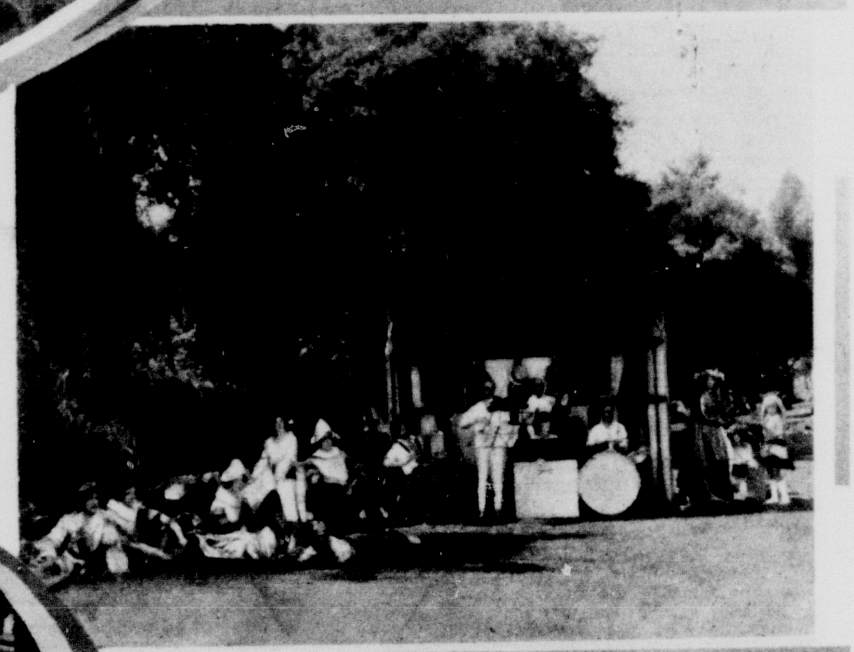
(Left). A whole Spanish city was constructed in the mountains outside Hollywood for "The Spanish Dancer"



(Above). The world's largest candle, built for scenes in "The Spanish Dancer"

(Below). If you've ever tried to dress a child you know what a job Pola Negri is having

Behind the scenes with Pola Negri and "The Spanish Dancer" players



(Above). The film players like music with their reels. Here are the Spanish musicians who furnished special melodies while Pola danced the fandango

(Left). Pola, stepping from her limousine for the day's work, is greeted by her director, Herbert Brenon

When Pola Negri goes wading she has lots of assistance. The gallant lad holding the star's booties is Tony Moreno

A Host of Your Favorite Players Appear in Support of Pola Negri in Her Latest and Greatest Picture

Pola Negri as Maritana, the Spanish Dancer

(Below) Wallace Beery as King Philip IV of Spain

(Above) Robert Agnew as Dib, Maritana's gypsy lover

(Left) Andre Lenoi as Velasquez, the famous painter

Gareth Hughes as Lazarillo, devoted to Maritana

Charles Stevenson as the Cardinal's Ambassador

(Above) Pola in another phase of her varied role

Adolphe Menjou as Don Salluste, the King's Favorite

(Right) Kathlyn Williams as Queen Isabella of Spain

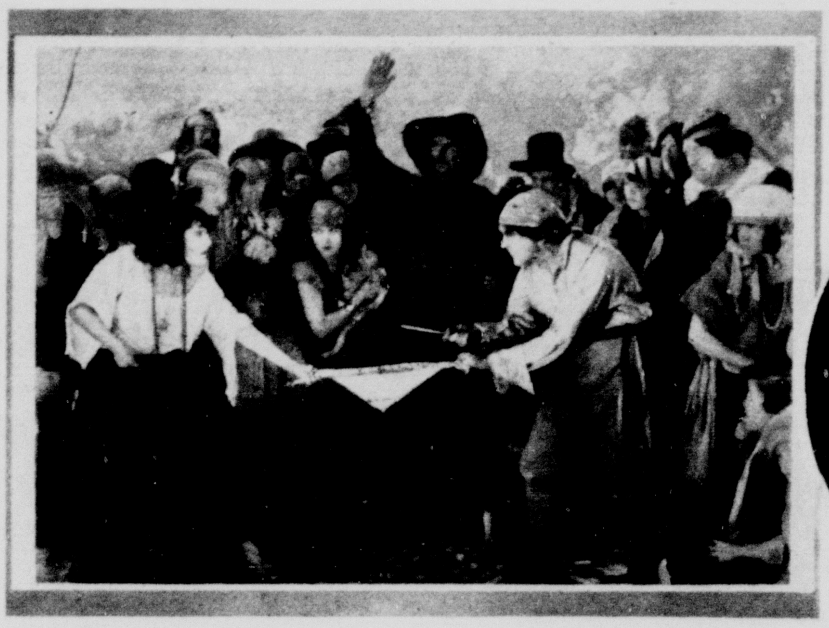
Antonio Moreno as Don Caesar de Bazan, lover of Maritana

It's the Fiery, Colorful Pola Negri of Old That You'll See in Her New Picture, "The Spanish Dancer"

The thrilling fight in the Square of the Galloping Charger

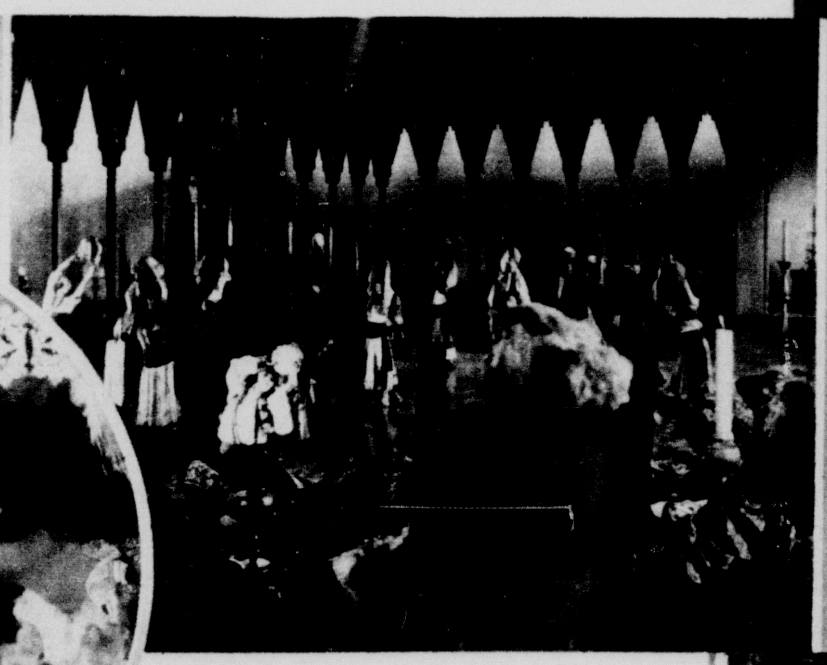
The King's favorite (Adolphe Menjou) makes secret love to the Queen of Spain (Kathlyn Williams)

This scene in the picture is not without its humor, as you'll find when you see "The Spanish Dancer"



"The Spanish Dancer" is Pola Negri's most lavish American production

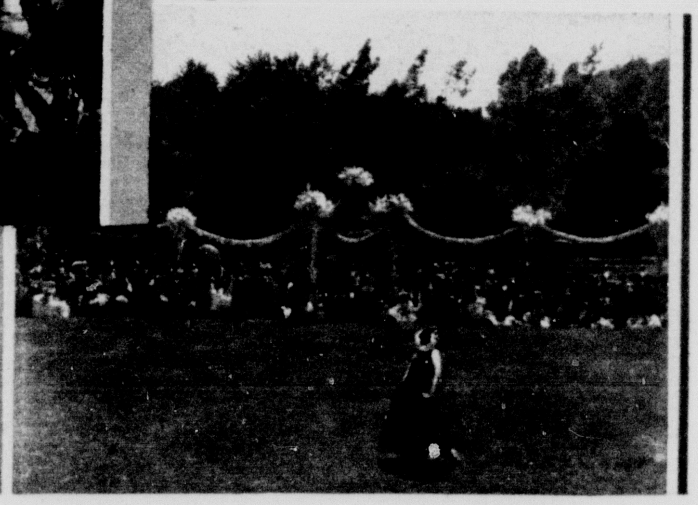
You'll love this Pola Negri—the quick-tempered, passionate gypsy girl who "vamps" the King of Spain



(Below). It's the story of the love-adventures of pretty Maritana (Pola) and courageous Don Caesar (Tony Moreno)

Love at first sight—the gypsy dancer returns the young gallant's purse, but she doesn't give back his heart

(Below). Pola Negri shows herself a marvelously graceful dancer as well as a great actress



The settings of "The Spanish Dancer" rank with the most artistic and expensive ever shown upon the screen

(Right). One of Pola Negri's chief recreations is her piano, of which she is a talented student

(Below). Manuel Alonso, Spanish tennis star, explains to Antonio Moreno, also Spanish, the value of outdoor sport in cultivating health and vigor

Some flowers, an easy chair, an assortment of the newest magazines—and Pola is happy

(Left). "Here's to the light lunch that keeps a busy man healthy," toasts Tony Moreno with milk

(Below). Robert Agnew, famous juvenile actor, can also act the role of the well-dressed man

We Wish You a Happy and Prosperous New Year

MALONE THEATRE

Week of January 1st

MONDAY & TUESDAY

The Perfect Picture

POLA NEGRI AND ANTONIO MORENO in

"THE SPANISH DANCER"

Here's Pola Negri in the kind of character part that made her famous. In an American-made production a thousand times bigger than all her other pictures combined. You won't know what real screen entertainment is 'til you've seen vital, flashing La Belle Negri as a Gypsy dancing girl in this romantic melodrama of Seventeenth Century Spain—A Paramount picture. Made to the highest known standard without regard to cost. Here are the most gigantic sets you've ever seen.

Also Comedy—"ROLLING STONES" and NEWS **Admission 20c & 40c**

WEDNESDAY

VIOLA DANA in

"CRINOLINE AND ROMANCE"

If grandma were young, could she compete against the flapper?

Also NEWS **Admission 10c & 20c**

THURSDAY

Junior Orpheum Vaudeville---3 Acts

Cooper & Shaw—Singing, Dancing and Piano. Jones & Hamilton—Southern Breezes. Semon—The Human Fish.

ANTONIO MORENO & PAULINE STARK

"LOST AND FOUND"

Also MOVIE CHAT **Admission 25c & 50c**

FRIDAY

"DON'T CALL IT LOVE"

with AGNES AYRES, JACK HOLT, NITA NALDI, THEODORE KISLOFF & ROD LA ROCQUE.

Two women loved him—one a sweet everyday girl, the other a fascinating opera singer. Which did he choose? And was it love that decided the choice? Don't miss this deluxe drama of tangled hearts, society splendor and gorgeous love-making.

Also Comedy and MUTT & JEFF **Admission 10c and 30c**

SATURDAY

WILLIAM S. HART in

"WILD BILL HICKOK"

His latest production based on facts of early days. Also episode 5 of "THUNDERBOLT JACK". MATINEE 3:00 Admision 10c & 20c

COMING: "HIS CHILDREN'S CHILDREN"

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TWICE-A-WEEK

SIKESTON STANDARD

FRIDAY MORNING

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SHOE FACTORY DANCE WAS MARKED SUCCESS

The greatest community meeting that was ever held in this section, was the dedication of the Sikeston branch of the International Shoe Factory that was held on the first floor of that building Friday evening, December 21. This was a mingling of the masses for certain for the richest and the poorest were there and all on an equal footing. This event has been looked forward to for weeks and at the appointed hour streams of people from every direction begun to arrive and by 8:30 the building was a mass of human beings. Each floor was open for inspection with competent guides to explain the machinery and on the top floor demonstrations on some of the machines were made. Soon after 9:00 o'clock, the Cape Girardeau band marched into the building and gave a concert, after which R. E. Bailey, on behalf of the citizens of Sikeston, turned the building over to the representative of the International Shoe Co., Mr. Blake, who accepted same in a short speech. It was then that the grand march headed by the Cape Girardeau band formed and circled the room several times, after which Stewart's Orchestra from Memphis, Tenn., opened the dance.

The crowd was estimated to be around 2500 and was so great that it was difficult to dance with any degree of pleasure, though the dance room was 40x200 feet. The dance floor was all that could be wished for being of hard maple and covered with parafine and corn meal. Young folks and old alike took advantage of the occasion and tripped the light fantastic toe until 3:00 when the music ceased.

This function was sponsored by the Lions Club and financed by the merchants and citizens of the town and will be an event long remembered in the history of Sikeston.

If the weather had been favorable and the cross roads passable, the crowd would have packed every floor of the building and the 55-acre new addition would have been requisitioned to take care of the overflow.

MODERN WOODMEN ELECT OFFICERS

On Wednesday of last week, the Modern Woodmen of America elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

C. C. White, Consul.
J. A. O'Hara, Adviser.
P. H. Gross, Banker,
P. H Stevenson, Clerk.
Frank Dye, Escort.
Alton Cravens, Watchman.
Geo. Ballard, Sentry.
J. H. Chaney, Trustee 3 years.
Drs. Presnel, Mayfield and Kready, Physicians.

Roy H. Wagner was appointed chief Forester.

On installation night in January, a pie supper with an oyster accompaniment will be played at which time the Woodmen, their families and sweethearts will be expected to be present. And the Editor, also. Watch for the date.

SIKESTON GIRL WINS LINDENWOOD STORY PRIZE

Announcement of a prize Christmas story by Miss Helen Kready of Sikeston, Mo., appears in the current number of the Lindenwood College Bulletin. The title is, "Christmas in Old Lonesome", the plot being laid in a frontier western settlement, where a Christmas celebration came to a realization as an answer to the prayers of a little girl. Miss Margaret Ferguson of Fulton, Mo., received honorable mention in the contest. The prize for the best story is offered annually at Lindenwood, and is open to all the students.

Another annual prize just won is that of the Lindenwood song for 1924. Two competitors, Miss Jessie Schaper, of Washington, Mo., and Miss Virginia Symns of Nevada, Mo., have productions judged of equal merit, and the prize will be divided between them. Something new in competitions is announced by President Roemer, for a song to be written by a member of the faculty. This will close March 1, and carries a prize of $25. The song is to be judged by the ease and spirit with which the student body can sing it.

We have more indolence in the mind than in the body.

ALL FRISCO TRAINS TO STOP AT SIKESTON

Recently The Standard reprinted an article from the Cape Missourian to the effect that a new schedule would be inaugurated on the Frisco at an early date with a fast train each way that would only make four or five stops between St. Louis and Memphis and between Memphis and St. Louis. Sikeston was not to be one of the stops.

The Standard can now say with authority that these trains will stop at Sikeston for certain. The schedule will be so arranged that one can attend the theater in either St. Louis or Memphis and be home for breakfast the following morning. Sikeston is about the second best passenger point on the Frisco between these bg cities and the officials of the road are not going to slight us.

Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Barnes, of Galline, La., will visit Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith.

A fire brgade composed entirely of women has been organized in the village of Aosuna, Japan.

At the recent International Stock and Agricultural Show at Chicago, Theodore Hopper of this vicinity, was honored with a ribbon on St. Charles White corn. There were 10,000 entries alone of the different varieties and this is the first time that St. Charles White ever received a mention in the white corn show. This was an honor for Mr. Hopper that he is very proud of and is an honor that all Southeast Missouri should be proud of.

COL. ARCH GRAY GUEST AT BENTON

Col. Gray, a character about town, was caught by J. H. Hayden and Bill Carson, Monday afternoon, with four pints of Christmas cheer on his person. The officers had been keeping an eye on the crowd and as the Col. looked a little too plump in spots concluded it would be safe to give him the once over with the above results. He was taken to the City Hall and held until arrangements could be made to take him to Benton. An attempt was made by friends here in Sikeston to get him out on bond, but Prosecuting Attorney Barton decided to hold him in jail at Benton for circuit court. The Col. has been under suspicion is why he was caught with the goods on him and he wasn't given a chance to dispose of any of his goods. The officers are rather suspicious that someone higher up furnished Gray with the whiskey and an attempt will be made to uncover his financier.

Charlotte Cameron, woman explorer, will spend eight months in Mexico, studying Azetc ruins with hopes of discovering traces of the lost continent of Atlantis.

The Lions Club of Sikeston distributed a truck load of toys of one kind or another to children of the city Christmas morning. After the close of business Monday night, a committee visited the toy stores and bought in job lots what was left and gave them out to increase the happiness of the little ones. This was commendable in this organization.

PUXICO BANK FAILS TO OPEN

Puxico, Mo., December 24.—The Bank of Puxico was closed today and it is reported that an examiner is on the way here from Jefferson City. No announcement concerning the reason for the bank being closed today has been made here and no report of a shortage of any kind has been heard, reliable sources state. The bank's capital stock is $25,000. D. F. Walser is president of the bank and his son, J. C. Walser is cashier.

CHURCH GIVES CHRISTMAS BASKETS TO THE POOR

The Sikeston Methodist Church, through its members and friends, played Santa Claus to fifty-five families, distributing well-stocked baskets for a Christmas dinner.

This was in keeping with the practice set many years ago and when the provisions were needed. At this time it was not believed there was a family but what was self-sustaining, but these baskets were sent with utmost good will. It is certainly a "habit" that should never die.

Miss Lolita Sackett of Geneva, N. Y., recently admitted to practice before the Federal Court, is reputed to be the youngest woman ever to win this distinction.

Miss Helen Welsh will be the violin soloist of the Choral Club of Charleston at the Cantata to be given in that city tonight. Our Helen is some fiddler and it would be some critical audience that she couldn't please.

SPECIAL MUSIC AT M. E. CHURCH

The musical program at the Methodist Church Sunday forenoon was much enjoyed by a large congregation. Mrs. Green Lescher rendered a vocal solo, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", by Harker. Miss Honora Bailey, soloist of Christian College, Columbia Mo., gave a vocal solo, "O, Night Divine" by H. J. Marsh. Mrs. H. J. Welsh, the church organist and director, gave three numbers on the organ as follows: "The Bells of Abrdevey" by Stewart; "The Shepherd and the Mocking Bird", by Berwald; "Christmas Postlude" by Hosmer. These numbers were pronounced to have been of a high order and those who were not present missed a real treat.

A tenant on Dan McCoy's farm, west of Sikeston paid $210 in New Madrid County last week for having in his possesion what he said was slop for his hogs, but what the officers said was mash.

Dr. and Mrs. Leo Schnurbusch left for Perry County, Monday, where they will spend the holidays with relatives. Later the Doctor will go to Davenport, Iowa, where he will take a post graduate course at the chiropractic school in that city.

Mrs. Bess Cook and Miss Helen Welsh of the Malone Theatre Orchestra played at the Charleston Theatre last week, when Manager McClutchen filmed "Robin Hood". Many compliments were paid these talented musicians by the Charleston audience.

SHOOTING SCRAPE NEAR MATTHEWS

White mul e caused Bill and Fred Marr of Canalou to get into trouble with a young man from New Madrid named Waters, and Waters received a severe beating at the hands of the Marrs. Kelsie Cloar had hired his taxi to Waters and was in charge of the car himself. He succeeded in getting Waters in the car and hurried away with him, fearing the Marrs would beat him again. Not satisfied with the first beating, Bill Marr got into his car and overtook Cloar's car at or about Matthews. Cloar was afraid of his own life as well as that of Waters, drew a revolver and leveled it at Marr, when someone hit his hand, the bullet missed its mark. He again drew down on Marr and his pistol hand was struck down just as he pulled the trigger, the bullet passing through the upper leg and on into the leg below the knee.

Kelsie was sober and but for the interference would have certainly killed Marr. When drinking Marr is a dangerous man and when sober, one of the best saw mill men to be found and very affiiable.

Unless complications set up, Cloar will soon be about.

Miss Annette Smith entertained the following Thursday evening: Miss Lottie Dover, John Louis Watkins, and Ralph Wilkey.

Miss Frances B. Johnston, who gained fame by photographing President McKinley at Buffalo, the day before he was assassinated, is the first newspaper camera woman.

SEN. REED TO ENTER RACE FOR RESIDENCY

New York, December 20.—The New York Evening Post today prints the following:

"Justice Daniel F. Cohalan will resign from the Supreme Court bench within a month to manage the campaign of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri for the Democratic nomination for President, it was reported today in political circles. Although Justice Cohalan would neither deny nor affirm the truth of the report, it was learned from another sources that he had presented his resignation, but had agreed to serve for another month at the request of the presiding justice.

"Tammany men admitted that they had expected such a development as a result of reports that William R. Hearst looked favorably upon Senator Reed's candidacy. Ex-Surrogate Jno. P. Cohalan, brother of Daniel F., who was refused a renomination by Charles F. Murphy, lined up with the pubisher in the recent judiciary campaign. It is now believed that the two brothers, who are exiles from Fourteenth street, will join forces with Hearst to embarrass the Democratic organization.

"Justice Cohalan's term expires in 1925, and it was said to be Tammany's plan to treat him as it did his brother. The fall of the Cohalans as political powers in Democratic organization circles here dated from the time Justice Cohalan attempted to unseat Thomas F. Foley as leader of the First District. Since that time the Cohalans have been moving toward Hearst and away from Tammany Hall. Of late years their progress has been helped by active efforts on the part of ex-Sheriff Foley.

"Tammany men professed to feel no fear at the prospect of a fight for Reed delegates in this state. The presence of even one anti-Smith man in New York's delegation, especially in view of the strength the organization is supposed to wield in this state, would, it is believed, hurt the Governor's prestige at the convention.

"It is recalled that Senator Reed, who was an anti-Wilson man, has been friends with Justice Cohalan for some time. President Wilson deliberately and publicly refused to meet Justice Cohalan at the time of Wilson's appearance here at the Metropolitan Opera House. It is said the President was influenced by reports of Justice Cohalan's dealings with Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, in the period prior to America's entrance into the world war.

"The Cohalans have always been storm centers in local politics. Both men exercise some influence among certain elements aligned with Tammany, although John P. Cohalan was decisevly defeated when he sought to oppose the organization's candidate in 1922. With the same fate staring him in the face, it is said Justice Cohalan decided to retire gracefully, especially when he saw a chance to combat the local Democratic organization"

MANEUVER BY BRYAN SEEN IN APPEAL FOR COMBINE

Washington, December 21.—The hand of William Jennings Bryan in Democratic presidential politics was indicated in the House yesterday, when Representative Howard, Democrat, of Nebraska, former secretary to the Commoner, called for the combination of Progressive Republicans and Democrats throughout the country to win the next presidential election.

Howard's appeal is the outgrowth of the futile effort which Bryan made at the outset of the House organization fight to induce Progressive Republicans and Democrats to unite and organize the House. Bryan is seen by Democratic leaders in the background, as the result of the Howard speech, maneuvering his forces so he will be able to exert an influence in the next Democratic convention similar to that he exercised at Baltimore.

There have been rumors that Bryan this year will support McAdoo, that he was thinking of supporting Senator Owen of Oklahoma and that he might bring forth a dark-horse candidate.

Miss Lottie Dover entertained the following girls with a bunking party Wednesday evening of last week: Misses Annette Smith, Lillian Shields, Martha Gresham, Mildred Stubblefield, Anita Winchester and Hilma Black.

The Standard $1.50 per year.

Closing our first year's business in Sikeston, which has been a very successful one, we will, beginning Saturday, December 29, place on sale our entire stock of men's suits and overcoats. Our stock consists of the following well-known lines:

Hart Schaffner & Marx
Kuppenheimer
Keller-Heumann-Thompson
H. A. Seinsheimer Co.

We are not overstocked, but our policy is to not carry over this season's merchandise until next, and in order to move these suits and overcoats, we are pricing them to sell—

One-Half Off
One-Third Off
One-Quarter Off

These prices apply to our entire stock of suits and overcoats.

HERE'S WHAT 1-2 OFF MEANS TO YOU

$35.00 Suits and Overcoats now $17.50 **$40.00 suits and overcoats now $20.00**
$50.00 suits and overcoats now $25.00

If unequaled values in fine clothes mean anything to you, you'll call this sale a sensation. Here are the latest fall and winter goods being sold at radical price reductions. We need room for new spring merchandise is the reason, and this is the quickest way to get it.

BIG SAVINGS ON—

Wool Shirts Underwear Hats Sweaters Corduroy Pants Wool Sox

Lehman-Foster Clothing Company

THE HOME OF HART SCHAFFNER & MARX CLOTHES

M. E. CHURCH REPORTS 465,000 INCREASE

Chicago, Ill., December 21.—An increase of 465,000 members in the Methodist Episcopal Church during the current quadrennium, bringing the total membership to 4,774,520, was reported today by the Committee on Conservation and Advance from figures taken out of the Methodist Yearbook for 1924.

General extension of church work over the past four-year period was announced by the committee. It reported that there are now 34,526 preachers in the denomination, includ-traveling preachers and local pastors, with 29,442 Methodist churches in operation, and 36,559 Sunday schools having an attendance of 4,-850,424. To teach these children there are 412,168 officers and instructors.

Methodist parsonages were reported to number 16,051. Combined valuation of the parsonages and churches was set at $375,429,933.

Contributions to the Centenary Fund of the church total $65,000,000, according to the report, which described the movement that led to these subscriptions as "the greatest enterprise of systematic, benevolent giving in the history of Christianity".

The denomination was shown to maintain eighty hospitals, thirty-six homes for the aged, forty-five orphanages and eleven homes for working girls, valued at more than $30,000,-000. This does not include fifty hospitals abroad under the Board of Foreign Missions or ninety deaconess homes and thirty hospitals in this country.

Increased salaries for ministers are shown in that the average salary is now, $1577, compared to $1100 three years ago. The church was reported to have given $29,093,696 for ministerial support in 1923. Its pension fund is said to be the largest of any denomination with $17,500,000 available.

Commenting on unification with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the yearbook declared: "The outlook for unification is distinctly favorable. The plan proposed is not intended to settle everything at once. Rather, it proposes a method whereby the two churches may come together under one general copference and there work out their problems and plans as one body. The next step must be taken by our own General Conference, then by that of the Church, South, which it will soon become referendum to the ministry and laity of both churches.

DAWES TO BE PRESIDENT OF GERMAN INQUIRY

Paris, December 21.—The Reparations Commission this morning decided to offer to Charles G. Dawes of the United States the presidency of the committee which is to examine German finances.

An American thus will head the principal expert committee to be named for the investigation of Germany's resources and financial situation.

The Reparations Commission found it necessary to postpone issuing thhe invitations to the other delegates on the committee, aside from the Americans, but in view of the need of gaining time to permit the representatives from the United States to arrive without delay, the names of Gen. Dawes and of Owen D. Young of New York were approved and instructions given that formal invitations be sent them.

It was the unaimous decision of the Reparations Commission that the presidency of the leading expert committee ought to be offered to Gen. Dawes.

Refuses to Comment

Chicago, Ill., December 21.—Brig. Gen. Charles G. Dawes refused to comment early today when informed that he had been decided on by the Reparation Commission to head the committee.

Gen. Dawes is regarded by his friends as singularly well equipped for the proposed duties, both through his financial experience and zeal as a public servant.

He is the founder of and long has been head of one of Chicago's large banking institutions. In 1917-1919 he served in France, most of the time as chairman of the General Purchasing Board.

He was the first director of the budget under President Harding being appointed in June, 1921, serving one fiscal year, for which a saving to the government of between $250,000,-000 and $300,000,000 was credited to the operation of the Budget Bureau under his direction.

Ambition and love are the wings of great actions.

M'ADAMS SAYINGS IN POST-DISPATCH

If Senator Reed ran for President we would have Mr. Coolidge opposed by Mr. Hottidge.

A New York stock broker who has made $2,000,000 has given up his business to run a newspaper in Bergen, N. Y. He'll need it.

After fooling with various life-saving fenders over a period of years, the United Railways are beginning to realize that they picked up a receiver.

Hoisting engineers, who get $1.25 an hour, have hoisted their demands up to $1.50.

It is said that everybody at Washington laughs at Senator Spencer and it cannot be long before most people at home do.

It looks as if the division as to the virgin birth of Christ might be along the old familiar Mason and Dixion line.

There is a farmer in Boone Counyt, Mo., who will likely pull through the agricultural slump. He is working only ox teams on his farm, and when he goes to town he parks a team of these economical creatures among the automobiles of the farmers who are wondering where Santa Claus went.

Complaints that Santa Claus is being held up by highwaymen all over town will not surprise people who have marked the steady prostitution of Christmas to the status of a plain business proposition. The man with a mask and a revolver holding up a truck loaded with Christmas goods is only doing in a more direct way what the man who has been pushing his busines through Christmas has been doing all the time. This is not a nice matter, and we are sorry to see Santa Claus mixed up in it. Still, he probably had a choice of worlds and took this one.

It is only twenty-one years since Augieres drove an automobile at the then phenomenal speed of seventy-eight miles an hour. Airplanes now travel nearly 300 mlies an hour, or almost four times as fast as Augieres' auto in 1920. It is not unreasonable to suppose that speed will increase to 1000 miles an hour by 1950 or before. The conquest of distance and time is the most outstanding acomplishment of our generation.

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New Year Greeting

To Our Faithful Old Friends and Cherished New Friends

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Because Christmas is one of the happiest days of the year to children it brings happiness to all of us.

We hope that Christmas filled your heart with happiness. May the joy of a happy family fireside, the warmth of re-united friendships and all the good things of the season be with you. And in sending our greetings we feel the message quite incomplete without without expression of our sincere appreciation of all patronage of the past year. We want you to know we appreciate you and will be found in 1924 putting forth our best efforts to serve and please you.

Farmers Supply Company

IMPLEMENT DEPARTMENT

MISSOURI WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Kansas City—City Plan Commission announces program for viaduct construction calling for $5,000,000 expenditure.

St. Joseph—Plans being made for improvement of municipal light plant at cost of approximately $500,000.

Columbia—First unit of memorial stadium for University of Missouri under construction.

Baxter—Construction work on road connecting this point with Riverton hard-surface road nearing completion.

St. Joseph—Contract let for repaving Twelfth street from Monterey to Hickory street.

Joplin—Local Water Works Company to complete extensions of lines into southeast Joplin by January.

Webb City—West Fourth street, from Oronogo street to Madison street, to be resurfaced.

Carthage—New $50,000 apartment house at corner of Seventh and Main street, under construction.

Desloge—Plans being made for erection of new high school.

Jamesport—Work on new county bridge spanning Big Creek east of this point, completed.

Joplin—City plants expenditure of $30,000 for purchase of site for erection new memorial city hall.

Linn—Contract let for erection of new Osage County Court House at cost of $44,332.

Chillicothe—Local cold storage company declared dividend of $18,000.

Washington—Installation of boulevard lighting system along Main, Elm and Jefferson streets nearing completion.

New Florence—Missouri Light and Power Company to extend lines from Montgomery City to this point.

Marceline—Midland Coal Co. consolidates with Jackson Walker Coal Company with capital of $505,000 and $600,000 surplus.

Desloge—$175,000 in bonds to be issued for construction of waterworks and sanitary sewers at this point.

Washington—New $35,000 addition to local High School completed.

Leroy—Work under way on rebuilding Leroy bridge.

Liberal—Local Mutual Telephone company completeing plans for making extensive improvements to system.

Missouri Light and Power company to acquire all properties of the Missouri Utilities Company of this State.

Eufaula—100 men digging for bauxite mineral in crude form on W. H. Jones plantation.

North Kansas City—Preliminary work for construction of new purification plant under way.

Columbia—Work to be resumed on construction of University of Missouri memorial tower.

Kansas City—Chestnut avenue to be paved from Independence avenue to North Terrace Park.

Jefferson City—Four Missouri river bridges under construction in state at aggregate cost of $2,894,419.25.

Ave—New mining company leases 1,000 acres of land in Smallet district for prospecting purposes.

Kansas City—7-story building to be erected for occupancy of Palace Clo. store.

Gorin completes new concrete bridge over Peach and Honey on Main street.

Charity should begin at home and stay there until there is a surplus for other people.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in Cuba recently ruled that all applicants must submit two photographs with their petitions for membership, one being attached to the petition to be placed in the vestibule of the lodge for the scrutiny of members, and the other to be attached to the diploma issued by the Cuban lodges when Masons are raised to the Master's degree.

Let the women do the work. Ths is what Luther Wadkins, a blind farmer residing three miles west of town, had in mind Saturday when he appeared before the county court and asked for an order compelling his wife and 16-year-old daughter to help him chop wood in order to make a living. Wadkins, who is quite well known about town, explained to Presiding Judge Frank Sass and Associate Judges James M. Spence and W. A. Dixon that he recently bought 40 acres of land where he now resides and that he could make a good living by cutting and hauling wood to town and sell it here if his wife and daughter would only help do the work. Wadkins is a blind pensioner and gets a pension from the state, when there are available funds to pay. He also receives assitance from other sources, but he seems to think he could keep the wolf from the door if he could get the county court to issue an order compelling his wife and daughter to chop wood. He was told by the court that he must get the necessary relief in the court of Justice George Halstead.—West Pains Gazette.

We sometimes wonder what Theodore Roosevelt would think of his country's terror of everything foreign, if he should come back to earth and contemplate the scene. During his administration Russia and Japan were fighting to the death. All Europe was in sympathy with Russia while America was for the Japs. A world situation of the most serious sort developed, in the midst of which Roosevelt interposed and induced the warring nations to join with him in a peace parley. Each of them sent delegates to the United States. Assisted and encouraged by President Roosevelt they came to terms and signed a treaty. What a contrast to the present situation in Washington, where statesmen of both parties are so saturated with personal hatreds and unworthy fears that their country is forced into a cyclone cellar every time co-operation for world peace is mentioned! By throwing the influence of America into the scale at a critical time Roosevelt rendered a service that will always stand to his country's credit. Where is the man who is so foolish as to believe that he would not demand that America ceases fleeing from phantoms and take her place at international council tables as an Apostle of Peace, if he were living today?—Paris Appeal.

ALBANIA WOULD CALL SINCLAIR "KING HARRY"

Rome, December 19.—King Harry of Albania! That is what the most up-to-date political factions in the little mountain country want to make of Harry F. Sinclair, the American oil millionaire.

In fact it is reported here that Sinclair is the favorite for the throne vacated so hurriedly in 1914 by Prince William of Wied. The Albanians say a man like Sinclair would leave them a free hand in local politics if he were ruler and at the same time would bring prosperity to the country by developing its oil, copper, and other natural resources. Besides, the Albanian gold reserve is low and an American millionaire monarch might remedy this financial difficulty.

The Albanian legation at Rome denies that Sinclair has been asked to mount the throne. However, legation officials admitted the majority of Albanian notables were busy searching for an American millionaire to be king. They feel this move would combine political security with good business udgment.

At present Albania is a republic, but under the tutelage of a Dutch League of Nations delegate. The Albanians say this is a costly arrangement and does not give their local politicians enough liberty of action.

Not all Albanians agre on an American king. Some want Prince William back again. Others want a British peer, but fear it will be hard to persuade such a man to give up England and settle in the Albanian hills.

At an unclaimed express sale recenttly Frank Brubaker of Omaha, Neb., bought a trunk for $4.50. When it was opened it was found to be full of mud. A friend suggested that the mud be analyzed. It was found to contain $1806 worth of gold.

Dunklin county will probably have a candidate in the race next year for the office of Lieutenant Governor of the State on the Democratic ticket. Hon. Casper M. Edwards of Malden, who has been representative to the General Assembly for the past two terms is being urged by many friends over the state, to make the race. Mr. Edwards was in Kennett Friday of last week and when broached on the subject by a News representative, informed us that he had not decided as to whether or not he would be a candidate. Dunklin would like to see him run and win, thus bringing honor to the county.—Dunklin County News.

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THE PASSING OF THE YEAR

The twilight of 1923 is upon us and with another issue of The Standard the sun will have risen on a New Year, that of 1924. The year just closing has been one of various sensations, of glooms, of bright prospects, of misgivings and finally of satisfactory reward to the tiller of the soil and those depending on his prosperity. The beginning of the year 1923 found our agricultural community short of money, short of credit and with little hope of the future, but with the growing of cotton a grim and determined effort was made to grab at a straw as would a drowning man. The wheat crop of 1923 gave the grower very little relief and all hope was centered in the uncertainties of the cotton crop and all depended on it to save thousands from bankruptcy. The present generation in this community knew nothing of growing cotton and experienced all the sensations caused by the late spring, the rains, the cotton worm and the final fear of boll weevil and early frosts. Thanks to Providence these back-sets and fears were not so bad as appearaed and our district harvested or gathered a very satisfactory crop that with the high price of cotton, gave them the best returns from their lands that they have had in a decade. Splendid returns were had from the fields planted to clover, peas, sunflowers and corn, with good prices for each variety, and with the close of the year our people have helped their credit, renewed their hopes in the future and will start the New Year in high spirits and a determination to do everything in their power to produce from the soil sufficient crops to wipe out their entire indebtedness and give them freedom again. So desperate was the situation that many farmers were forced to mortgage the growing cotton to secure money to produce the crop, and after paying off the mortgage but little was left to pay outstanding bills to mercantile establishments who had been carrying them for the past three years. These conditions have made it particularly hard on merchants and tradesmen, but the farmer has done his best and nothing can be done except to hope for a bountiful cotton crop in 1924 when the slate can be marked clean. We should all thank Divine Providence for the good health of our community, which, after all, is the greatest blessing that we can enjoy. We had no epidemics, little serious sickness and few deaths. Plenty of work for everyone, good wages, no calls for charity at home and no suffering for the necessities of life.

Charles Matthews, Franklin Moore, Arden Ellise, John Sikes and Billie Keith spent Wednesday afternoon in Cape Girardeau.

The Woman's Club will have an open meeting on the night of January 2nd at the Hotel Marshall from 8 to 11, complimentary to the Lions Club members and their wives, the Chamber of Commerce members and their wives and the husbands of all Club members. A pleasant evening is in view and the Woman's Club are hoping that all members will attend

Leland Lingle spent Christmas at his home in Coben, Ill.

Miss Elsie Smart, of New Madrid, spent Friday in Sikeston with friends. Miss Smart was en route to her home in Hazen, Ark., to spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart.

Leo Holbrook, Crowder, Mo., would like a position of some sort in Sikeston where he could work and in that way pay his board in Sikeston while attending High School. He is 15 years of age. Write him at once.

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Happy New Year To All

1924

WE TAKE THIS MEASURE OF THANKING YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS DURING THE PAST YEAR, BE IT LARGE OR SMALL

We Appreciate Our Friends

And will always try to treat you in such a way that you will know our appreciation is sincere.

May 1924 Bring You True Happiness and Lasting Prosperity

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Our Christmas Thoughts

IF HUMAN NATURE is the combination of self-seeking, ambition and greed which some materialistic philosophers assert it is; if life is a contest in which all finer sentiments are subordinated to self-advancement and success at any price, how is it that the spirit of Christmas has not only endured but grown in power during nearly 2,000 years? If the pessimists are right, it would seem that the light would have been extinguished long since and with it the spirit would have departed.

Were history and our daily lives not replete with evidences—noble evidences too—of the unselfishness in men's hearts, we might be impressed with the teachings of the sordid and the carpings of the morbid. Christmas is the symbol and a celebration of love—love which is synonymous with charity and which our purest teaching tells us is the finest attribute of the soul. We, who during the past few weeks have watched the Yuletide preparations, are prepared to say that they represent a beautiful manifestation of that attribute.

We have noted the working girl taking home at night her parcels; contributions wrung from the dole of her necessities, in order that she may testify to her love and bring a measure of cheer to some child, some relative, some friend. Tired from her daily toil mayhap, but in her eyes that something which transcends all fatigue; transcends, in fact, everything else in the world and comparable only to that which shone from a mother's eyes upon the Babe in Bethlehem. Friends, in the face of these and so many other manifestations which we are all witnessing during this season, what right has one of us to say that the Light of the World grows dimmer?

Our hearts tell us there is no dimming. Let us be thankful for the extra radiance of Christmas. Let us seek to carry it into our daily lives. Our wish is, that this occasion, at least, will help all of us to forget our tribulations and sorrows, our complaints and animosities, and that it will be to all a day of cheer and everything which Yuletide typifies. The words of Tiny Tim have never been improved upon and we here invoke them: "God bless us all!"

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HOME TALENT PLAYS AT BOWMAN SCHOOL

A group of three home talent plays to be given at Bowman School, 4½ mi. Southeast of Sikeston, Monday evening, December 31, at 8:00 o'clock. Titles of plays and cast of characters are:

I. "The Family Affair."

CAST

Charles Guest .....Leading Man
Helen Ogle..... ....Leading Lady
W. H. Guest..... Comedian
Mr. McIntosh, ... Character

II. "The Man Who Looks Like Me.'"

CAST

Wm. Ensor ..... Leading Man
Mrs. L De Witt.....Leading Lady
W. H. Guest ..... Comedian

III. "Billy, the Bouncer"

CAST

B. Sells ..... Character
W. H. Guest .....Comedian

Four assistants.

W. H. Guest has traveled with the King Stock Co. for four years and showed in Sikeston three years ago.

Thsi is given for the benefit of the Litte Vine Church. Admission 15c and 25c.

Herman Henry spent Christmas at his home in Illinois.

Stanly Huggett of Westminster College is visiting Paul Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fosterand family had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lehman.

Henry Ford is out in an announcement that he will not be a candidate of any party, for the nomination, but announces his allegiance to President Coolidge. "Mutt" and "Jeff" have also retired from the race and recent heavy financial reverses to Andy Gump will perhaps cause him to retire from the running. The field seems to be narrowing. Yet there is no telling what a season may spring forth.—Farmington Times.

Real Estate Transfers

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Will Allen, lot 6, block 5, Sunset addition, Sikeston, $135.

O. E. Kendall to Susan Vowels and Lizzie Bryant, land in survey 623 $1.

J. H. Galeener to Mrs. Ara Hanner, part lots 16 and 17 block 2 Sikeston, $362.20.

Highland Park Real Estate Co. to A. J. Uelsmann, 1.78 acres survey 1879, $507.—Benton Democrat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ingram and son spent Christmas in Cape Girardeau.

Elmer Schmidt of St. Louis was the guest of Miss Nina Taylor during Christmas.

Dr. J. H. Kready sold his lot in the Chamber of Commerce addition to George Johnson.

Max Borowsky of Manila, Arkansas spent Christmas day as guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. Becker.

Miss Rosella Werner of Canalou was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor during Christmas.

Miss Burdeen Schroff spent Christmas with her brother, Highland Schroff and family in New Madrid.

Misses Mary Williams Smith, Burdeen Schroff, Tyleen Kendall and Evelyn Smith left for Cairo Thursday for a visit with friends until Sunday.

Ancil and Champ Bomar of St. Louis were in Sikeston Tuesday afternoon visiting their brother. They left Wednesday for Charleston for a visit with their mother.

Mrs. W A. Welch and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, entertained with a six o'clock dinner Christmas evening, complimentary to their son and brother, Medford Welch, who was here from Springfield for the Christmas holidays. Covers were laid for Misses Mary and Violet Williams, of Charleston, "Pat" Ellis and Medford Welch.

8000 GERMANS MAY WORK IN AKRON ZEPPELIN PLANT

Akron, Ohio, December 20.—Nearly 2000 German families, numbering approximately 8000 persons, are preparing to come here next spring to work in the Goodyear-Zeppelin plant, according to information Robert L. Scergel, publisher of a German newspaper, said today he has received from Germany.

Officials of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company declared that if this is true, the families are coming of their own accord. They said that, with the exception of a few expert Zeppelin engineers, they expect to recruit all the help necessary in America.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis, December 26th, a son.

Howard Dunaway of Morehouse was in Sikeston Wednesday.

Miss Jessie Bowling, of St. Louis is a guest of Miss Lillian Putnam.

John Fox, Albert Bruton, Carl Fitz and A. W. Hill attended the dance at Cape Girardeau Tuesday night.

Miss Margaret Jones gave a party Wdenesday evening at her home on Murray Lane for the young ladies of the Brown Spur Sunday School. There were about twenty-five present.

The detour road between Sikeston and Bertrand is almost impassable and the Highway Department hold out little hope for improvement before spring. The detour road was thought to be in good condition, but 3-ton truck loads of freight have cut it all to pieces and the rains have made a perfect loblolly of it. Those wishing to make time to Charleston and Cairo will do well to go north from Sikeston to the Blodgett road, or east to Miner, then north to Blodgett. Rock roads will be found this way. The engineers say no loads heavier than 2 tons should traverse these roads during winter months.

THE DAWN OF A NEW ERA

With the passing of 1923 let us hope for better things to come. To most of us, hope in the future is the guiding light of all our undertakings. While we live, we are hoping that tomorrow or the next day will bring us additional prosperity and contentment, and after death we have hopes of the immortality of the soul and that ours will be one of those that will be saved. Except for hope, life would hardly be worth living. The Standard believes the coming year holds out hopes of renewed prosperity and the return to normalcy. Every man you meet talks hopefully of the future and expects to put forth every effort to produce that which will clear him of debt. The one great crop that the farming community of Southeast Missouri expects to hitch its hopes to, is cotton. Thousands upon thousands of acres will be put to cotton in 1924 and nothing left undone to produce a bumper crop. If these hopes are realized the farmer can again reign supreme in these parts. Many reasonable things can be hoped for during the year, such as the completion of the hard-road program in Southeast Missouri, the building of more consolidated schools throughout the country, the building of a gymnasium and auditorium in connection with the Sikeston High School, the building of a sewer system and the paving of the principle residence streets of the city, the enlargement of the grandstand at the fair grounds, the beautifying of the Chamber of Commerce Park, the builing of a commodious passenger station by the Frisco, the building of more and better farm homes, besides many other lesser things. Many of the things enumerated above will come to pass without a doubt—and all of them, if we pull together. The coming year will witness the growth of Sikeston by several thousand and the demand for a ward school somewhere in Ward 4 to take care of the children. Will witness the moral uplift that is now noticeable, and wished for. While we are hoping and believing, let us hope that the unsightly sheds, barns and outhouses will be torn away and barrels and barrels of paint used in every section of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Morefield of Hayti are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. Coleman. Mrs. Coleman is a niece of Mrs. Morefield.

The first visible sign that such an organization as the Ku Klux Klan really exists, so far as Paris people are concerned, was displayed at the funeral services of the late John Burner, Frisco engineer, held at the home of his niece, Mrs. Betty Brooks in this city Wednesday afternoon. The symbol in question was a floral piece, a fiery red cross, with the letters "K. K. K." at the top, sent from Chaffee, Mo., where a large Klan is said to exist, and of which Burner evidently was a member. Most of those present did not know of the significance of the piece until the funeral was over. It is said the two ministers attending were members of the klan.—Paris Mercury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard and Miss Hyacinth, spent Christmas with their daughter and sister, Mrs. R. A. Moll and family, in Tamms, Ill.

Miss Dorothy Lillard of Arlington, Ky., who is at home for the Christmas holidays from Christian College, Columbia, Mo., is visiting in Sikeston.

Robert Hall, an English clergyman of the eighteenth century, once said: "The Bible is the treasure of the poor, the solace of the sick, and the support of the dying; and while other books may amuse and instruct in a leisure hour, it is the peculiar triumph of that book to create light in the midst of darkness, to alleviate the sorrow which admits of no other alleviation, to direct a beam of hope to the heart which no other topic of consolation can reach, while guilt, despair and death vanish at hte touch of its holy inspiration".

To our customers and other friends in Sikeston and vicinity, we extend our heartiest wishes for the New Year. As service is the keynote of the world today, so may the coming year bring us renewed opportunities to serve you and show thereby our appreciation and good will.

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Christmas bells across the snow
Pealing clear and sweet;
Merry children, faces glad,
Happy, hurrying feet.
All the world is love and hope,
Everyone is gay;
Dearest time of all the year—
Happy Christmas Day.

Deck the house with mistletoe,
Wreathe the post with holly,
Bring the yule-log and the bowl,
Let us all be jolly.
Cold the wind, and loud the blast,
What care we for weather?
Happy hearts and Christmas cheer,
When we're all together.

The good will of the Christmas season reminds us of your good will throughout the year for which we give our heartfelt thanks. May happiness, prosperity and great success be yours throughout the coming year.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Nunn and little son, Bobbie of Terra Haute, Ind., are holiday guests at the home of Mrs. Nunn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, of this city.

Rev. W. A. Humphreys, pastor of the Methodist Church, was called to Essex last Sunday to conduct the funeral services of a Mrs. Hux of that city.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Humphreys left Monday for Bloomfield to be the Christmas guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Attorney and Mrs. E. M. Munger.

Wm. B. Finch and mother, Mrs. Florence B. Finch, left the latter part of last week to spend the holidays with relatives in Shreveport, La.

Miss Vivian Hart, a student of Marvin College, Fredericktown, arrived home last week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hart, living near New Madrid.

Robert Knott of Memphis, Tenn., is a Christmas guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Knott.

Misses Sybil and Dixie Massengill and Sue Shelby, who are attending Teachers College at Cape Girardeau, arrived home Saturday to spend Xmas with homefolks.

The teachers and pupils of the Ristine school celebrated Christmas last Friday evening with a tree, laden with presents for all. An appropriate program was rendered.

Mrs. F. Fine returned last week from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Paul Mueller at Jackson, and friends at Cape Girardeau.

Miss La Rue Townsend, who is attending Commercial College at Bowling Green, Ky., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horrel Townsend.

Mrs. Lizzie Henry of this city and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brewington and daughter, Miss Mary Frances and son, Russell, of Lilbourn, were Xmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry of Sikeston.

Miss Victoria Parsons, County Health Nurse, is spending the holidays with her brother, in Mississippi.

B. M. Jones left last week for a visit with his parents at Benoit, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud and family accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Nunn of Terra Haute, Ind., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nunn, Cape Girardeau, Christmas Day.

Capt. W. S. Korn, of Paragould, Ark., is spending the holidays with homefolks.

J. M. Householder, who has a contract for concrete work at Dihelstadt, spent Christmas Day with homefolks in this city.

Gallard Dawson, of St. Louis, arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with homefolks.

Misses "Lady" Lewis and Marie Hunter were shopping in Cairo last Sautrday.

Attorney and Mrs. R. S. Rutledge and sons, Robert and "Dad" of Cape Girardeau, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Sharp and Mrs. Jennie Mitchell Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hummel and little daughter, Frances Ellen of Charleston, spent Christmas Day with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hummel of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Ehers and son left Christmas Day for St. Louis and Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Highland Schroff and children, were Christmas guests of the former's parents, in Sikeston.

Mrs. H. D. Russell of Chicago is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. V. Jones of this city.

W. H. Tanner of Sikeston was transacting business in New Madrid last Monday.

Attorney Thomas Gallivan was looking after legal matters in Kennett, Wednesday.

Mrs. Highland Schroff and Mrs. H. Townsend and daughter, Miss La Rue, were Cape Girardeau visitors last Friday.

The following is an account of raids made on search warrants at Morehouse, December 20th: On search warrant for the residence of Charles Beal, whiskey was found, arrests are as follows: Chas. Beal, Clarence Beal and Clem Beal. Also Clem and Clarence Beal were arrested on State warrants for the sale of liquor. On search warrant residence of Will Barington, mash was found. Barington was arrested nad brought to New Madrid, where a plea of guilty was taken and a fine of $200 was paid. On search warrant of the residence of Louie Glaz, whiskey was found and a plea of guilty was taken with a fine of $200.

Gambling raid made on Sunday at La Forge at the negro Honka Tonk. A room with crap tables and card tables with the following:

White: Bob Martin, Si Foust, C. W. Shields, Chas. Campbell, Howard Shields, Cecil Newton, Nose Shaver, Tillman Hodgekiss and J. W. Henson. Colored—Ernest Newton, Bud King, Ira Garrett, S. B. Barnum, L. C. Cole, Wesley Paterson, Louis Wade, Will Griffin, Walter Moore, Sam Johnson, Geo. Colman, S. Rodgers, Charles Washington, Julias Webbs, Pont Till, Alvin Smith, John Humphrey, Will Cooper, Nat Williams, John Wall, Extell Smith, Henry Young, B. F. Micon, Louis Banks; women, Neal Burns, Millie Boone, Tommy McClenard.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Anderson and little daughter went to St. Louis Wednesday night.

Howard Morrison of Sikeston was in New Madrid, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ambrose Kerr and little daughters were Parma visitors Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Emma Olgvie is the guest of her mother.

The youngest son of C. H. Denman has been very ill with a sore throat.

Mrs. Gayle, of the Farmers Dry Goods & Clo. Company, has resigned her position on account of ill health and is visiting in Charleston.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

J. W. French and wife to Calvin L. Maple and wife: Lot 9, block 26 in town of Gideon. $600. Made to correct error of deed recorded in book 79, page 362.

G. L. Tinsley and wife to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord: 55 5-9 interest in S½ of lots 18 and 19, range E in City of Lilbourn. $1.00 and transfer of property.

J. F. Cox and wife and R. A. McCord and wife to G. L. Tinsley: All of 44 4-9 interest ni lost 1, 2, 3, 4, block 18, Lewis 2nd addition to Lilbourn. $1.00 and transfer of property.

B. A. Coop, Jr., and wife to John Tawney: Tract of land in the City of Lilbourn, being 100 ft. three lots, 21 and 22 range C. $100.

E. E. Jones and wife to N. M. Castleberry, Sr.: All of lots 57, 58, 61, 62, range D, Lilbourn. $1.00 and other consideration.

W. L. Fletcher, single, to Roy Mallory: Lots 19, 21, blk. 10 in Barnes 1st addition to town of Marston. $325.

Warney Denbow and wife to W. L. Fletcher: All of lots 19, 20, 21, in blk. 10 in Barnes 1st add. to Marston, New Madrid County. $1.00.

Chris Sondemp and wife to R. Timons: W½ of lot 1 of the NE¼ of sec. 3, twp. 22, range 11, containing 40 acres. $9800.

W. C. Cutter and wife to the Townley Manufacturing Co.: All of frl sec. 22 and a strip of ground 17 chains wide off west side of 23, containing 136.80 acres all in twp. 23, rnage 10, with other lands in Dunklin County. $1.00.

Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School. Classes for all ages and all grades.

11:00—Morning Worship. The pastor will speak on "The Things Left Undone".

Come to the morning worship. Let us honor God in Public Worship.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song Service. The pastor will continue his talks in his studies of the Gospel of John.

You are welcome to all our services.

REV. S. P. BRITE, Pastor

Miss Geneva Norrid, of Blytheville, Ark., spent the holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Crooks were dinner guests of the R. A. Lewis famil, Christmas Day.

Mrs. John Durbin had as guests for a few days this week, her son, C. J. Phillips, with his wife and little son.

An infant of Mr. and Mrs. George Darr of this city, died Sunday, December 23, and was buried in the City Cemetery, Monday.

Miss Mildred Reed of Springfield, Mo., formerly of Sikeston, visited Miss Evelyn Sutton from Thursday until Monday. Miss Reed has a splendid position for the Government at Springfield.

Mrs. J. Banks died at her home at Oran, Thursday of last week, and was buried at Chicago. She was the wife of the Oran Merchant and mother of Mrs. Harry Lambert of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert attended the burial. The Standard extends sympathy.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

The Missouri Pacific depot was robbed Thursday night. The thieves failed to get any money, but rifled all the express packages, taking some candy billed to the North Pole Cafe, clothing billed to Phillip Banks, and other items

The High School closed with a program Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Lewis Tickell won a debate over Henry Hart on the question: Resolved, there is a Santa Claus. Lewis argued the negative. At the close of the program, Professor Bryce Edwards formally presented the football players with sweaters. The recipients were: Jesse Wilkns, Cleo Cain, Gale Parmley, Don Headlee, Claude Dilday, Raymond Usrey, Donald Brewer, Cotton Merrick, Tob Minnick, Kenneth Averett, Clinton Miller and Orval Sanders

Miss Gretchen Dunaway, who is a teacher in the Harrisburg, Illinois school, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway.

Allen Harrison is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Harrison.

Those who are home from school to spend the vacation period with their parents are: Miss Maxine Harrison, of William Woods College, Fulton, Mo.; Miss Frances Rauch, of Howard Payne College and Howard Dunaway, of Central College, Fayette, Mo.; Miss Hazel Carr, Marvin College, Fredericktown; Misses Nellie Lowe and Susie Spence, Cape Normal.

Charlie Newton, a sailor on the U. S. S. Oregon, is home on a furlough. He reports cruises to the Panama Canal, Hawaii and other places.

Mrs. L. L. Gray and daughter, Miss Helen went to Fredericktown Sunday morning to visit her mother, Mrs. Jno. Parringer, over the Christmas holidays.

A citizens of Morehouse received a Christmas package worth $1.50 from Canada, on which there was a duty of $1.15. This is what a Southeast Missouri person pays to protect the East and the West pays the bill.

All churches of Morehouse reported record attendance to the special Christmas programs.

Ernest Crumpecker announces that he will offer a prize story contest to the school, from the first to the fifteenth of January. The story must be about a picture on a calendar being given away by the Peoples Bank of Morehouse. Cash prizes of $10; $7.50 and $5 will be given for the three best stories.

The following prizes have been ordered for the Cotton Club boys: First, a silver trophy, second, a gold medal; third, silver medal. These will be given out as soon as all records are completed and winners determined.

Harry McFarland is in Chicago finishing up his year's business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Mason are in Cairo visiting her sister, Mrs. "Hub" McFarland.

L .I. Gray went to Fredericktown Monday to join his wife, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Parangor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ogle and daughter, Helen, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Teal spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Edwards.

The Cline school, Ward No. 2 of the Morehouse School District, held a very interesting Christmas program on Christmas eve. Presents were distributed by Santa Claus from a Christmas tree.

The Class of 1922 held a reunion on Wednesday evening. Nearly all attended and report a very good time.

George Stewart reports it is raining hard in Arizona. Evidently we are not getting all of the rain.

Christmas night the Triangle Club held a dance in their club rooms. About forty were present.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Doss visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Donahue of Parma, returning Thursday.

Mrs. John Dunafee is visiting relatives in St. Louis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Edwards entertained Wednesday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fisher, Mrs. Josephine Hart, Philip Banks, Miss Gretchen Dunaway, Ed Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Teal, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sarff, Clyde Warfield and Mrs. Harry McFarland.

Louis Scott is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott.

Miss Ruth McCoy will leave Friday for Plant City Fla., where she expects to accept a position.

Mrs. Henry Ferrel and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson spent Christmas at Chaffee the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson and family.

W. A. Rodgers, 54 years of age, living one mile north of Sikeston, died at his home December 19 and was buried at the Hart Cemetery. Pneumonia was the cause of his death.

Happy New Year!

NOT because it is a custom, but because of the genuine sincerity of our appreciation of the good will and generous patronage extended to us, we choose this medium for extending to all of you our wishes fo- a most prosperous 1924.

HARDWICK'S
ECONOMY CENTER
SIKESTON MO. BERTRAND

JAMES PRATT ACCIDENTLY KILLED

Saturday night James Pratt of this city asked the driver of an automobile going north to give him a ride. The car was occupied and Pratt asked to be permitted to ride on the fender. When near the northern limit of Sikeston, he was knocked from the fender by a car parked along the curb. When picked up, he was unconscious and never regained consciousness, death following early Sunday morning.

Mr. Pratt was 59 years of age and had many relatives and friends in this vicinity. The body was buried at the Carpenter Cemetery.

WHAT'S PALACE TO MAN WHO HAS A SUIT OF PAJAMAS

He owned a palace and suit of pajamas!

Antonio Moreno, featured player in Pola Negri's new star picture, "The Spanish Dancer", a Herbert Brenon production for Paramount, which comes to the Malone Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, woke up one morning to find that all he owned in the world was a palace and his night attire. It was made of fine silk and had a monogram and coat of arms embroidered on the front, but the fact remained, it was not precisely fashionable wear for a stroll through the streets of the city.

However, it all took place in the reign of King Phillip IV. of Spain, and Moreno was reviving an incident in the life of Don Cesar de Bazan, a leading character in the Paramount picture which Pola Negri says is the strongest story in which she has ever appeared.

While Don Cesar sleeps, his creditors enter the ancient mansion of his family and carry off everything it contains. Caesar awakens in time to utter voluble protest as they ruthlessly steal the sheets from under him.

"The Spanish Dancer" is a costume picture with a very strong story of love, intrigue and human interest running throughout. The character of "Maritana" gives Pola Negri the greatest opportunity she has had since she came to America.

Heading a strong supporting cast are Wallace Beery, who plays the role of King Phillip IV; Kathlyn Williams, as Queen Isabelle; Gareth Hughes, as Lazarillo; and Adolphe Menjou as Salluste.

All four roles are important parts of the story and give ample scope for the ability of these players. Herbert Brenon, who produced the picture, paid careful attention to the details of dress, custom and manners of the period which made the seventeenth century history in Spain so elaborate and magnificent.

Joe Griffith, who is working at Dexter, spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith.

Mrs. Owen Scott and son, of Carbondale, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. A. Dye and family.

Joe Haw of Benton was in Sikeston, Saturday.

Lenneth Ryal was the guest of Miss Marguerite Hinkle the past week.

Frank Russell of Westminster College attended the dance given at the Shoe Factory Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bonnifield are receiving congratulations on the birth of a little son, born last week.

Henry Hunter Skillman is at home for the holidays. Henry Hunter has a splendid posiiton with a firm in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Craven Watkins, of Vanduser and Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Blanton and children spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blanton and family.

Wayne Wheeler presents an imposing number of lives saved as prohibition's Christmas present to the nation, but as against pure speculation of that sort he says nothing of the certain disrespect for law which has followed this sumptuary legislation, the innumerable bootleggers and moonshiners let loose upon us, the new generation's introduction to the drinking party upon every hand, how death and blindness have been visited upon those consuming home-made poisons, and the debasement of the Federal bench to the level of a police court. These are the whirl-wind we have reaped from our most amazing attempt to make ourselves what we are not. Mr. Wheeler seeks to put a good face upon the ghastly failure of the cause from which he gets his pay check. He is our leading sophist, and comes near to being our most successful jester.—McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

To Our Many
Friends Who Have
Helped Make This Past Year
a Very Prosperous One We Wish a

Helpful - Happy NEW YEAR

And voice the hope they will continue their patronage and good will during the coming year.

Dudley's Confectionery
Sikeston, Mo

GREETINGS

We wish to thank our many friends for the nice business and courtesy to us during the holidays. We extend to all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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May happiness, prosperity and suceess be yours throughout the comtng year.

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A Love Song—Fox Trot
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New Victor Records Once a Week Every Week Friday

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Graham and children spent Christmas Day in Sikeston with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Graham.

Bob Burch, of Chicago, arrived in Matthews Sunday to spend the Xmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Tenny Burch.

Dr. G. W. Presnell was called from Sikeston Sunday to see C. C. Stewart, who has been very ill for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Singleton of Chaffee spent from Monday until Wednesday with relatives in Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elderbrooks were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children visited relatives in East Prairie Sunday.

Bill Wilson arrived in Matthews Sunday from St. Louis to spend Xmas with his wife and babies. Mrs. Wilson having been here several weeks visiting relatives.

Mrs. Moore and son, Veron Moore, of Coffeeville, Kansas, arrived in Matthews Sunday to spend the Xmas holidays with their daughter and sister, Mrs. G. D. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Miss Elreno Shelton of Sikeston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit and Miss Frankie Deane of New Madrid, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane.

Roy Sutton arrived Sunday from Colorado to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sutton.

B. F. Swartz and Mrs. Lola McCloud were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz Tuesday.

Mrs. Martha Story and Miss Jessie Anderson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan of Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and two sons and little daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Deane at a Christmas dinner, which was also Mrs. Deane's birthday.

The Xmas entertainment which was given here Xmas eve was a grand success. Everybody seemed happy and pleased. Much praise is due Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. Frank Rateliff for the success of the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley and Miss Pauline Graham of Sikeston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. James Smith had all their children and grandchildren at a Xmas feast Tuesday.

Druard King arrived home Thursday from Fulton, Mo., where he is attending school, to spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King.

Miss Virginia Mills of West Plains, is visiting relatves here.

Mrs. Charles Clarke and daughter, Miss Ollie, of Sikeston, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn., were guests at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt, Christmas.

Mrs. Cyrilda Roberts and George Elderbrooks stole a march on their friends last Wednesday night and went out like a real romantic couple to Rev. Hardings and were married. We wish them much joy.

Rev. Johnson, P. E. and Rev. Gonette, our pastor, were in Matthews Sunday. The presiding elder preached and our young pastor added much to the choir by his trumbone.

Rev. S. S. Surface, Mrs. Amanda Long and daughter, Miss Sallie, left Tuesday morning for Oak Ridge to visit.

W. O. Carrol left Saturday for Mountain Grove, Ill., where he spent the Xmas holidays with his parents. Mrs. Carrol went to Fredericktown to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Emma Andrews.

The Xmas tree and entertainment given at White Oak School No. 2 Friday evening of last week, was a success. Many presents were on the tree. Each childr received from their teacher a stocking filled with fruits and candy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McGee had as their guests at a Xmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sikes and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Daughtery and babe of Sikeston.

ACCIDENTAI DEATH OF OTIS HEISSERER

The news that Otis Heisserer being accidentally killed at Oran, Saturday, was sorrowing news to friends and acquaintances.

The young man was home from St. Louis for a visit with relatives and wsa making preparations for reutrn to the city when the accident happened. An automatic pistol that he owned was handed to him by a friend to be placed in his handbag when, for some unaccountable reason, the pistol was discharged, the bullet entering his body under the arm. Death was instantaneous.

The funeral was held in Oran Monday afternoon, after which the body was laid to rest in the Catholic Cemetterq.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ferrell and family moved into their new home on Matthews avenue, Thursday.

A. E. Shankle has sold his new house in the Chamber of Commerce addition to Mrs. Sara St. Clair.

Miss Roberta Noble, of St. Louis, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. I. Noble.

Medford Welch, who is with the Standard Oil Company, at Springfield, Mo., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Welch, on Dorothy Street.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the anpual stockholders' meeting of the Peopes Bank of Sikeston will be held at its banking house in the city of January, 1924.

Said meeting will be convened at 9 o'clock a. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect seven directors for the said bank, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

F. M. SIKES, President.
Attest:
R. F. ANDERSON, Secretary.

FORD'S CHANCES FOR MUSCLE SHOALS GOOD

Washington, December 20.—Henry Ford probably will win that which he has yearned for far more than the presidency, namely, Muscle Shoals.

The inside story of the events leading up to Mr. Ford's latest pronouncement in favor of President Coolidge indicates that the automobile king at no time took seriously the efforts of his friends to get for him a political nomination, but that he took no steps to repress them sooner because he saw an advantage in exhibiting to Congress the political strength he could comand.

When one of the manager of the McAdoo boom in South Dakota remarked that he was "for McAdoo for President and Ford for Muscle Shoals", he gave expression to something that has only lately been impressed on political Washington. For Ford, it will be recalled, has felt for several months that he did not get a square deal on his Muscle Shoals proposition and that he could give the farmers of the country cheaper fertilizer of the Government would really co-operate with him.

The first sign of true co-operation came from President Coolidge himself. The President told the country in his first message to Congress that he believed Muscle Shoals should be privately operated if satisfactory arrangements could be made to guarantee that certain experiments would be carried out and fertilizer furnished at low rates. Ford came to the White House after the message had been prepared, but before it was made public. No changes were made in the message, but Ford was told of certain plans for the execution of the suggestions made in the mesage.

Secretary Wallace of the Department of Agriculture had been drafting certain bills for introduction in Congress which it was hoped would meet Ford more than half way. The Detroit manufacturer did not comment on the amended suggestions to his offer, but he left the White House in a genial mood. He had at last been assured of fair consideration of his offer. Up to that time there had been some reason to believe that political fear of Ford's ambitions had had as much to do with halting the Muscle Shoals proposition as anything else. Ford went back to Detroit and with a single statement eliminated himself from the presidential contest and at the same time gave the Coolidge campaign its most significant boost thus far. The President has been classed as a conservative. Ford has been looked upon as particularly strong with the farmers of the country and the radicals. Yet he finds Mr. Coolidge worthy of support. Ford also opposes the bonus and favors the Mellon tax plan.

Speaking of Muscle Shoals, it is interesting to point out in this connection that the Democrats have been lining up in favor of giving it to Ford on proper terms. Bernard M. Baruch, one of the leading backers of the McAdoo candidacy and himself one of the leading Jews of America, swept aside consideration of the anti-Jewish campaign conducted by Ford's associates and announced that, after a careful study of the subject by engineers he had especially employed, the Government should accept Ford's offer.

Had President Harding lived he would have had Ford's support for renomination and re-election. He wrote Mr. Harding a letter promising support, though it never was made public. Ford gave then virtually the same reasons he is giving now for supporting Mr. Coolidge. He doesn't want to see the country disturbed by a presidential contest. His motto, in effect, which may become that of the Republican candidate, is "let well enough alone".

M. G. Gresham is in Caruthersville this week on business.

H. A. Gentry and two children are spending Christmas at Boonville, Ind., visiting relatives and frineds.

Miss Effie Campbell was the guest of Mrs. B. F. Marshall and family of Cape Girardeau, Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Stearns and children of Lilbourn are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farris and Mrs. Joe Linton and son spent Christmas as guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Barger of Wardell visited Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Gresham and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barger during the Christmas holidays.

Australia has prohibited the importation of adult bees to prevent the introduction of serious diseases of adult bees, such as the Isle of Wight disease. An exception is made of the United States, this being the only country from which importations are permitted, according to the Bureau of Entomology, United States Department of Agriculutre.

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At this season our thoughts revert gratefully to those whose courtesy, co-operation and loyalty have assisted in making ours the

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McGinnis-Essary

Married by Rev. S. P. Brite at the Baptist Church on December 25th, at 8:15 a. m., Mr. Wm. H. McGinnis of Blue Jay, West Virginia and Miss Fredie Helen Essary of Sikeston. Only a few near relatives and friends were present to witness the ceremony.

The bride is a very popular young woman, who is a daughter of Mr. Essary, who is connected with McKnight-Keaton Wholesale Grocery Co.

Mr. McGinnis has been in the Philippine Islands for the past three years and has known his bride since she was a little girl.

The newlyweds will visit in Kentucky before going to West Virginia to visit the groom's parents.

Islands Denuded by Eruption In 1883 Restored By Nature

Berlin, December 27.—How long does it take to "let in the jungle?" Much less time than had been supposed, for Mother Nature is a fairly fast worker, according to the reports of scientists regarding their observations in the Krakatau Islands.

The flora of these islands was completely destroyed in 1883 by a volcanic eruption. Since they are quite uninhabited and lie 25 miles from the nearest mainland, an unusual opportunity was afforded to learn how long nature would require to re-establish former floral conditions. New seed could be brought to the island only by the wind, the waves or birds. The German scientist Stark gives a report in a scientific periodical of the observation made.

Three years after the volcanic outbreak, Treub visited the islands and was able to identify 25 different kinds of plants. Ten years later the number had risen to 62 and after another 10 years to 103. The vegetation is now precisely as it was in 1883, with some 300 varieties of plants and all typical growths of a primeval forest. Nature has thus done her work completely in less than 40 years.

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Clyde Boutwell of Flat River is expected to spend the week-end, in this city, the guest of Miss Catherine Butler.

By shucking 87 bushels of corn in one day, Miss Julia Chesire of Assumption, Ill., claims the championship of that State.

LOST—Tortoise rim shell glasses in case. Call Mrs. Clay Stubbs.

FOR SALE—House, 7 rooms, near factory addition. See Roly McDonald.

FOR SALE—Good ear corn, also about 14 tons baled hay.—H. C. Blanton, Sikeston, Mo.

WOOD—Save buying coal, all you want FREE at Tanner Mo. Good roads. J. H. Galeener.

FOR SALE—5-room house, 619 Dorothy St., Sikeston, Mo. Write Henry Hovis, 117 N. Virginia St., Belleville, Ill. 3w.

FOR RENT—6-room house, light, heath, bath, furnished. Will rent for 2 or 3 months.—Mrs. Levi Cook.

HELP WANTED— For general housework in family of four. Settled woman preferred. Apply at Standard office.

LOST—On Christmas Day, a suit case full of clothes. Lost between Moore Ave. and Fairview School on South Kingshighway. 1tpd.

FOR SALE OR RENT—320 acre farm about six miles from Sikeston on two good roads; excellent for cotton.—H. C. Blanton, Sikeston, Mo.

FOR SALE—85-acre farm, good cotton farm. Must sell quick. Adjoins Fornfelt, good improvements. Immediate possession.— Fornfelt Realty Co., Fornfelt, Mo.

HOUSES FOR SALE—Three 4-room houses located on North Street, first block west of Malone Park. For further particulars, terms, etc., see J. H. Vowels, 304 N. Stoddard St. 4tp.

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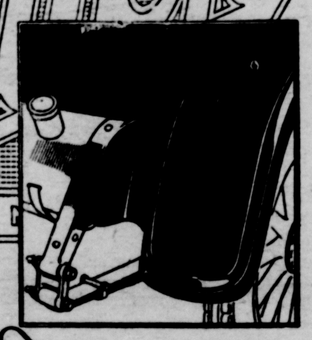

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Richmond, Ind.—"I thought I would write a line or so, to say that I owe my good health and strength to Cardui," says a letter from Mrs. Cora Courtney, 31 Railroad Street, this city.

"I was all run-down until my family thought they would lose me," writes Mrs. Courtney. "My husband coaxed me to take Cardui, so, to please him, I did, and will say I do not regret it, for I am able to do all my work and do my shopping.

"I have five children, four in school, my husband and a boarder to do for, and I do all my own work for all of us, and find time to play. We all praise Cardui. Every sick and run-down woman should take this wonderful medicine.

"I suffered with my back; a very weak feeling in my limbs.

"I felt hardly able to drag; just tired—so tired all the time.

"It was an effort for me to do anything, but Cardui helped me so I felt like a different woman."

If you are in a run-down physical condition, suffering as this Indiana lady says she did, give Cardui a fair trial. It should help you.

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To Our Good Friends and Patrons

To you whose friendship and good will have helped to make the past year a satisfactory one to us we send our cordial appreciation, and our sincere wishes for a

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Board of Directors of Cotton Association Hold Meeting at New Madrid

The members of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association held their monthly meeting at New Madrid last Thursday, December 20th. All members of the Board were present except President Caverno. A. R. Zimmerman, Vice-President of the Association, presided.

In view of the fact that it will take an enormous amount of production credit to make this next year's crop for the farmers in Southeast Missouri, the possibilities of organizing Intermediate Credit Associations were discussed. Arrangements will be made for a conference with the Intermediate Bank officials at St. Louis as soon as possible.

The matter of selling cotton thru the national cotton growers exchange was discussed and the Board went on record as favoring closer co-operation with the American Cotton Growers Exchange in selling cotton rather than each State Association working independently.

Cotton Growers Association Send Distribution to Members.

On December the 19th, the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association mailed to their members of the Tennessee Association and to the members of the Missouri Association a distribution of proceeds of sales. This distribution is on a percentage basis according to the base value of the cotton and according to the amount pooled by each member. This total distribution amounts to approximately $1,000,000.

Southeast Mo. Teachers College To Market Cotton Thru Association

The Agricultural Department of the Southeast Missouri Teachers College will market their cotton thru the Missouri Cotton Growers Co-operative Association. An application for membership was received by the Association office at New Madrid on December 18. Shipping instructions and tags have been sent the Agricultural Department of the College in order that they may ship their crop produced this year. The Field Crops Division of the Agricultural Department is in charge of Jas. C. Logan.

The Teachers College held a short course of instruction for the farmers of Southeast Missouri during the week of December 17th.

Cotton Association Members in November Distribution Received $15,390

The members of the Missouri Association received in their November distribution which was on a per bale basis received $15,390.

The amount of money received by members per county and number of members receiving distribution are as follows:

New Madrid Count, $6,250, 81 members.
Mississippi, $41,150; 61 members.
Scott $1,976; 38 members.
Stoddard, $1,330; 55 members.
Pemiscot, $540; 15 members.
Cape Girardeau, $460; 5 members.
Dunklin, $440; 7 members.
Butler, $150; 5 members.
Ripley, $100; 3 members.

A distribution on a percentage basis is being sent out by the Association prior to the holidays.

New Madrid Farm Bureau To Hold Its Annual Meeting January 18.

The New Madrid County Farm Bureau will hold its regular annual meeting on January 18, 1924 at the County Court House. Besides the election of officers, a very interesting program is being arranged, the main feature of which will be the new motion picture film showing places and people familiar to everyone in Southeast Missouri. I. D. Trotter is to speak also. Mr. Trotter is the cotton specialist for the University of Missouri and has had a wide experience in the raising of and experimenting with cotton. The things Mr. Trotter will talk about will be of interest to every man in New Madrid County, who is growing cotton.

The executive committee urges all members to remember the date and be sur to attend. It also extends an invitation to the public and all who can be present will be sure to have a good time besides learning of the work that is being done by the farmers of New Madrid County. Don't forget the date—come and bring a friend.

First Car of Sodatol from Ashburn, Mo., With New Madrid as Destination

The new government explosive sodatol, which is to be used to replace the now exhausted supply of picric acid in the blasting of stumps, is rapidly becoming popular. The first car load for Southeast Missouri was shipped from the Ashburn plant on the 21st of December, with New Madrid as the destination. The car contains 35,000 pounds of the explosive, most of which was ordered in advance, although there is a small surplus which may be had by anyone desiring to make use of this explosive for agricultural purposes. Orders must be sent through the county extension agent and should be placed immediately.

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STATE WHEAT ACREAGE REDUCED 25 PER CENT

Jefferson City, Mo., December 22.—The State Board of Agriculture and the Government Crop Estimate Bureau delayed the crop report for the purpose of securing something like correct estimates on the average planted in wheat. The figures show that the acreage planted this year for next year's wheat crop decreased 25 per cent from last year. The acreage is back to where it was some ten years ago. The cause for the slim crop is assigned to several reasons, one of them being the low price of wheat, another the cost of labor and a desire on the part of the farmers to plant more cotton and more hay. Bad weather delayed seeding very much.

The joint report of the two departments indicates that if the winter is unfavorable the yield of wheat will be cut down considerably, as it is not in condition to stand hard freezing and thawing.

Persistent rains all over the state luring the fall months have left a considerable part of the corn standing in the fields. But 64 per cent of corn has been taken from the fields up to date.

The cost of farm labor has increased. For work in the corn fields it ranged from $2.10 to $2.20 a day. Some of the farm help is moving from the country to the cities, and the demand exceeds the supply.

The official report of the two departments follows:

The Missouri wheat crop seeded for the 1924 harvest is 2,225,000 acres, or 75 per cent of the 2,967 acres seeded last year, according to E. A. Logan and Jewell Mayes of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Board of Agriculture.

The reduction of 25 per cent from the 1922 sowing was due to low prices at harvest time, high wages, chinch bugs, Hession fly and a desire to change to hay, soy beans and corn in the northern counties and cotton in the southern. The area closely approximates the acreages of the first decade of this century. The greatest reduction is in the northwest counties, where chinch bugs and fly were very bad last summer, and in the southeastern counties of Mississippi, Scott and New Madrid, in anticipation of increased cotton acreage. Old-time wheat counties have reduced their acreage least, and those counties not growing wheat before the war have cut down their acreage decidedly. Central counties south of the river and in the extreme south that bread themselves reduced their acreage least. The reduction extended to lessening the number of farms seeding wheat and reducing the acreage per farm, as shown by special seeding returns, which indicates only 76 per cent as many farms sowing wheat as one year ago.

On the farms seeding wheat last year 15.02 per cent of the farm acreage was in wheat, while this fall these same farms only had 8.68 per cent devoted to wheat. The present wheat condition is 85 per cent of the December normal, which, from past experience with a condition around this figure, indicates a range next year of from 12½ to 15.7 bushels per acre, or an expectation of 12.6 bushels.

Very little insect infestation is reported, with only occasional grasshopper damage; seed bed was fairly well prepared in most sections, and growth is small on account of late seeding due to much rain. Seeding continued well towards the end of November. Wheat generaly is affording very little pasturage in Missouri. Plants have stooled but little, and an adverse winter might result in much abandonment, as in former years a condition of 85 per cent was often followed by heavy winter kill.

Rye condition is 89 per cent upon a slightly less acreage than last year. Fall plowing is behind last year, with only 50 per cent of the work done compared to 66 per cent in 1922, having been too wet, and much of the plowing is poorly done in northern sections.

Corn is only 64 per cent out of the field against 72 per cent last fall. Fields have been too wet in the Northwest and delay has been occasioned by other field work such as wheat seeding and cotton picking. Quality is not so good as last year, and much rotten corn is found.

Wages are $2.10 per day for standing corn, and $2.20 in the shock, or 6 cents per bushel standing and 7½ cents for corn in the shock. Farm wages show a slight increase over last year, with $32 paid per month when boarded, or $1.60 per day, and without board $42 per month, or $2.10 per day. The farm labor supply is 94 per cent of the demand, with some help moving from farm to town, and farmers consider wages too high for the returns from wheat, hogs and cattle.

The farm price of wood is higher than last year, with about the same proportions of wood and coal used, the average being fourteen cords of wood per farm and coal 165 bushels per farm. Farm-grown fuel is generally growing scarcer and higher, especialy in the West and North, but the south central counties have plenty of wood.

Garden products average $65 value per farm against $58 last year.

Farm work is somewhat behind that of last year. Considerable corn is yet in the field. Country roads in many counties are in bad condition, delaying the movement of produce to market. Shipments of hogs are heavy, and feeders are reluctant to put cattle and hogs in the lots at prevailing prices of corn.

The Farmer and the Railroads

THIS article and several more to follow, is for the farmer because, from the early days of the Republic until now, Agriculture and Transportation have been the two greatest and most fundamental industries in America and the well-being of either inseparably involves the well-being of the other. In the last analysis, Agriculture and Transportation must stand or fall together. Unless the railroads are able to supply adequate and dependable transportation service when and as required, the farmer loses the advantage of favorable markets and much of his yearly toil is wasted.

Many self seeking persons have been industriously endeavoring to make the farmer believe the railroads are chiefly responsible for the misfortunes of Agriculture. In this way they hope to make more secure their place as the "friends of the farmer." But I do not believe that farmers generally can be so easily led by a mere appeal to supposed prejudice. I believe the farmer will demand all of the facts and I hope these articles will prove helpful in providing them. Farmers will have much influence in determining the future of the railroads—whether the railroads will become the playthings of politicians or whether the government will safeguard the property rights of the public and give a square deal to those citizens who have billions of dollars invested in railroad properties.

To get a correct conception of the inter-dependence of Agriculture and Transportation, it is necessary that we go back to the time when what now is the Corn Belt was a virgin wilderness. President Harding, in an address at Kansas City last summer, told how, as late as 1840, wheat sold at 40 cents a bushel and hogs at 3 cents a pound, and the reason, he said, was "lack of transportation facilities." The building of the railroads changed all that. Not only did they put the farmers in touch with the markets of the world but they also carried to the frontiers of civilization the Storekeeper, the Preacher, the Doctor, the Schoolmaster, the Postmaster and the Banker; and in addition to carrying the products of the farms to market, they carried the products of factories—of Civilization, if you please—into what, but for the railroads, must have remained a wilderness.

Suppose that some morning the news should suddenly come to your community that your railroad had "quit?" That it had died! What an indescribe calamity! And yet, that very thing has happened right here in the Corn Belt. And the result has been that the farm lands of a great many farmers depreciated perhaps 30 per cent over night because of their isolation from shipping facilities.

For a number of years, and until ten years ago, there was built in America an average of more than 5,000 miles of railroad every year but during the last six years more railroad has been taken up or abandoned than has been built. And this has happened in the face of the fact that the Nation's freight traffic is increasing at the rate of 50 to 100 per cent every ten years. This is today the most profoundly serious question that confronts the American people.

In the foregoing I have tried to explain how vital Transportation is to the LIFE of Agriculture. We need not go back to the beginning of the Missouri Pacific when the richest bottom lands of the Corn Belt could be bought for $1.25 an acre. In 1890, in Illinois and Wisconsin and the states west of the Mississippi River, the average value of all farms was $4,366 per farm. In 1900 this had increased to $4,966. In 1910 the average was $9,900 and in 1920 it was $18,800, or an increase of 575 per cent in value in thirty years. Is there a farmer in the Middle West who will contend that this increased value would have been possible except for the railroads?

Should not the farmer regard the railroads as his friends rather than as his enemies? And should he not be the first to demand that the railroads get a "square deal?" To say the least, the farmer should examine carefully into the charges made against the railroads. Honest and competent criticism always is welcome, for such criticism is constructive—but the Republic was not built by those who seek to destroy and tear down; nor can it live by such process.

I solicit co-operation and suggestions.

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WHERIN JUDGE MAKES A "MAN" OUT OF A SHEIK

Omaha, Neb., December 24.—When Irvn Applebaum faced Judge Dineen in Municipal Court there last week he had long hair, sideburns, bell-bottom trousers, spats and a royal air.

"Officer, take this man to a barber shop, have his hair cut, remove those sideburns, throw away his spats and get him a pair of American trousers", the Court ordered. "I'm going to make a man of him".

"Oh, Judge, don't cut his hair', pleaded Peggy Hall, with whom Applebaum was arrested. "You'll simply ruin him."

"What's he good for, anyway?" asked the Court.

"He' the best dancer in town," Peggy told Judge Dineen.

But the court was obdurate. "Bring him back here when the barbers are through with him", the Judge told the officer.

An hour later Applebaum was back in court. He had an "Irish" hair cut. The sideburns were gone. So were the spats and the bell-bottom trousers. He told the Judge he would give up the Sheik stuff.

Applebuam is a shoe salesman. He spent his evenings at public dance halls where he was considered a great drawing card. When three or four "Shebas" were arrested for shoplifting, Applebaum was picked up and brought to court on a charge of vagrancy.

Mrs. John Pearson and daughter of Cape Girardeau visited with her daughter, Mrs. Van Brannock here. The Pearsons are moving to Sikeston.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

CHARLESTONIAN HELD UP ON KINGSHIGHWAY

Marion Rowe, manager of the music department of The Lair Company was held up and robbed of $4.50 on Wednesday night on Kingshighway, half way between New Madrid and Sikeston.

Marion had been down to Parma to deliver an Edison phonograph. The buyer tendered him $135 in cash but Marion told the purchaser to give him a check for $130 and $5 in cash as he might need that amount for expenses on his return home. He stopped at New Madrid to obtain something to eat about 6:30 and then departed for Charleston. When about half way between Sikeston and New Madrid he came upon a party who seemed to have car trouble. They flagged him down and two men asked if they could not ride to Sikeston for repairs. He gave his consent and one sat with him in the seat while the other climbed on the rear end, the car being a piano car. After driving a short piece one announced that ther car was repaired and they would get out and asked Marion to stop the car. He did so, when one of them asked him if he had any money. He replied that he had a small amount and they then commanded him to "stick 'em up". Marion complied and they rifled his pockets and obtained the $4.50 and got off, while Marion drove to Sikeston and then on home.

It is said that this is getting to be a frequent occurrence on Kingshighway. Most every week there are from two to three of such escapades pulled off and if this is so it will be only a matter of time until one of these easy money getters will get his for someone will bore a hole through one of them that you can throw a dog through and it should be done.—Charleston Times.

Fine actions which are hidden are the most worthy.

The home stretch of 1923 is about finished. Thanks to the cotton crop and other Providential favors most of us are finishing stronger than we started and the future looms brightly ahead. Opportunity for hard work and useful service in the community is not lacking. Genuine co-operation by our peaple throughout '24 will relegate "hard times" to the rear and cause every sincere worker to feel proud that he is a citizen of Charleston and Mississippi county. The question is, when the bell rings for the start of the New Year, will you be ready to soy, "Let's Go!"—Lair in Charleston Times.

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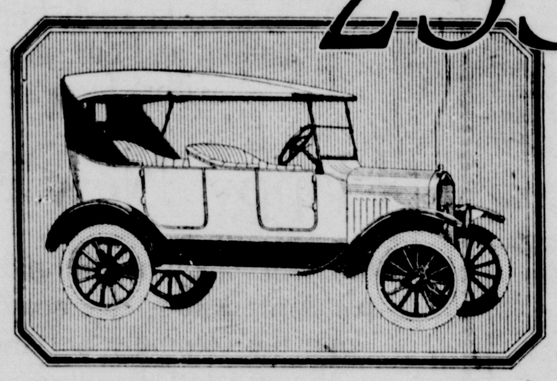

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1924 GREETINGS

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The Monroe Doctrine

The Monroe Doctrine is nothing at bottom but a policy of the United States. It is not, strictly speaking, a part of international law. But it has won recognition of virtually all natinos. It was embodied, by reference, in the treaties of the Hague, and was especially designated in the Covenant of the League of Nations. No one supposes that it will ever be abandoned, though it may be re-interpreted from time to time. But the conditions under which it originated have vastly changed. In 1823 the United States was weak, by comparison, with a future stil problematic. Now this nation leads all the world, at least in potential power, and its favor is sought by all the world, at least in potential power, and its favor is sought by all. No longer is it necessary for America as a measure of policy or military prudence to seek alliances. We can affirm and maintain the Monroe Doctrine according to our own good pleasure.

With this sense of self-sufficing might there surely must be a feeling of responsibility. The giant's power must be used with moderation and with due regard to the rights and the needs of others. The vital things in the Monroe Doctrine are the things that should be most emphasized and clung to at this centenary epoch. They include beyond all dispute the defense of national independence and free fovernment, and a cordial working together with nations like-minded across the sea, in order to keep the earth swinging true in the orbit of liberty, peace and humane progress. —New York Times.

Some fellows are only happy when they think they are putting crepe on the town in which they live, and the worst of it is, these fellows generally live so long that they have no teeth to gnash when they die and go to—oh, well, you know where they go.—Hopkins, Mo., Journal.

Charlie Randol had a fat Jersey steer that a Jackson trader offered him fifteen dollars for, just one half of its value. Dock Robinson put him next to a Mr. Sides from near Pocahontas who dealt in beef. He got the phone busy. Mr. Sides came down last Wednesday and butchered the steer giving Charlie so much a pound. His part amounted to some odd cents over $27.00. Mr. Sides would have to add the tariff on it besides the hide all told it would make the steer bring over double $15.00. Mr. Sides was in a hurry and remarked he was not going to fool with the tallow, anyone was welcome to it. Little Bachelor got busy. The result was he got nearly six pounds of tallow.—Little Bachelor in Jackson Cash-Book.

WHEN FARMER CAN'T BUY NEW TIRES, CITY GIRL CAN'T BUY DENTAL CREAM

E. T. Meredith, of Des Moines, former Secretary of Agriculture, told members of the American Petroleum Institute at Hotel Statler Tuesday night how farm conditions affect them and men in all other lines of business.

"While I was in a store in New York recently," he related, "I saw a girl buying a tube of dental cream. I asked her at what work she was engaged. 'I am a stenographer', she replied. Are you interested in agriculture in Madison County, Iowa, or Texas?' 'I never saw a farm and wouldn't know one if I did'. I went to see the lawyer who employed her. 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Not a bit. I am employed by a bank. That takes all my time'. I went to the banker, and asked, 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'No, we have no farmers' deposits. We have no farmers' loans'. 'With whom do you do business?' 'Steel corporations largely'. I went to a steel corporation. 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Not a particle. We never sold a farmer a piece of steel. We only manufacture structural steel.' 'To whom did you sell your last order?' 'Bill Smith of Rock Island, Ill'.

"I saw Bill Smith and said to him, 'Are you interested in agriculture?' 'Well, I should say so. Why, we sell the farmer trucks and tires. We sell him wire fences; we sell him roofing; we sell him a thousand things. And we just bought some structural steel last week to build a new unit to our factory'.

"All right, no tire order—no structural order—no structural steel order—no steel company; no steel company—no bank; a bank without deposits—no lawyer; a lawyer without a client—no stenographer; and no stenographer—no dental cream.

"Whenever one single sources of farm income takes a slump, the calamity howlers make so much of it that many of you are led to overestimate its effect upon general business as was in recent months the case with wheat.

"To read the speeches quoted almost daily in our newspapers, one would think that the farmer received his entire income from wheat, and yet actual 1922 production figures show that the farmer received less for his wheat than he did for his corn, hay, cotton or vegetables, as well as from several sources of animal product income. The farmer received thre times as much for his milk, for instance, as he did from wheat.

"While it is true that a decreased income from any one farm product such as wheat is a serious blow to the farmers who are depending on this one crop for their major income, we should keep in mind when considering agriculture as a whole that a slump in any one product does not materially impair agriculture purchasing power as a whole.

"Now, when does the farmer receive his income? I had a man say to me last summer, 'There is no use talking about the farmer now. He hasn't the money.' I said, 'Why hasn't he?' 'He spent it last October and November'. How did he happen to spend it then?' 'That is when he received it'.

"And this was a big business man. I wouldn't refer to it here except that you may be able to set somebody else right, because the idea that the farmer gets his income in the fall is quite prevalent. I said to this friend, 'Well, the farmers of this country received for dairy products in 1922 over $2,000,000,000. This is a lot of money more than the total value of the corn crop. And if he sold his milk in October, it is going to be sour along next Fourth of July.' He didn't sell it then. He sells it every week.

"And the business man sad, 'How about the corn?'

"He doesn't sell much corn. He doesn't literally. What he sells are hogs and cattle, and they are fed on the corn in the winter, and sold as fat cattle and hogs throughout the winter and spring. This isn't fall money. He doesn't get his wool just as winter is coming on either; the wool is a spring clip. He sells poultry and eggs to the amount of one thousand million dollars and this comes in a steady stream of income throughout the year—if anything, more in the spring and summer than other seasons.

"There are 6,500,000 farms in the United States. Each one in reality a small factory. Altogether they are going to spend 10, 12 or 14 billion dollars a year just to keep going, no matter whether they make money or not, no matter whether they have a surplus or not. Of these farms, tens of thousands will need, for instance, a chicekn yard, just a chicken yard, but to build it they will need some woven wire, they will need some nails, some paint and lumber. Altogether, it will cost, say $50. Well, an order for even 100,000 chicken yards at $50 makes a nice order; and 100,000 is but one-half of one per cent of the possibilities. Some of these farmers will need a little strip of wire here and there, and then a lot of roofs will leak on barns and houses, and they will need some new window glass and they will need some new shoes and hats and coats. Thruout the whole year they need large quantities of foodstuffs; breakfast foods, flour, soap and canned fruits and supplies of all kinds. There are 11,000,000 men, as many women, and 20,000,000 children on these farms and they all buy or have things bought for them. Of course, you men in town don't think that the farmers purchase any new hats and shirts, and so on and so forth. What you lack is imagination. You don't see this field.

"And are they buying, these people with this $14,000,000,000 who have to have new equipment and food and clothing and hundreds of different lines of merchandise? Well, they have bought the major portion of all the automobiles. The average farmer has more machinery, so far as the product he turns out and the length of life of the machines are concerned, than any one of you; very much more in proportion. He has $3,600,000,000 invested in machinery, and if the life of it is 10 years, then he must pay $360,000,000 a year for repewals on his machinery alone.

"He has $11,000,000,000 invested in farm buildings, and if they last 40 years, he has put to more than $250,000,000 a year in building just for replacements, to say nothing of money spent for additional buildings.

"Of the 6,500,000 farms in the United States 644,000 of these farm houses have running water, and that's only 10 per cent. There are nine times as many yet to serve. There are 453,000 that have gas or electricity in their houses. That's only 7 per cent. There are 93 per cent yet as a market. There are 132,000 motor trucks and 229,000 tractors—2 per cent and 3 per cent. There is 50 times as big a market as has yet been served. There is the market for carpets and pianos and clothing and other things. But what does the average manufacturer and his sales manager know about this fiedl?"

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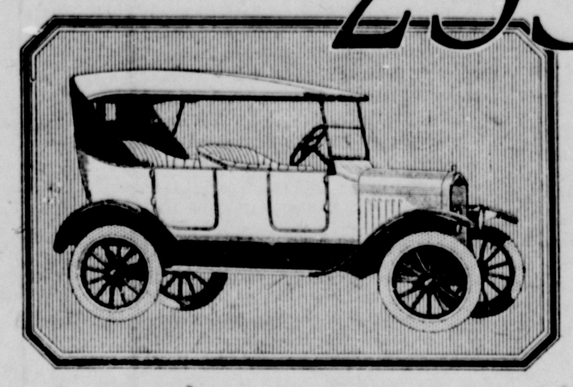

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by Fred P. Howden and his wife, Eleanor Howden, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, and recorded on the second day of March, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, in the office of Recorded of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in book number 45 at page number 24, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lots numbered Sixteen (16) and Seventeen (17) in Block number Thirty-one (31) of McCoy and Tanner's Sixth Addition to the town or cnty of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1923

between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. of said day, sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Postoffice in the town or city of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING,
Trustee.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by F. H. Briggs and his wife, Lola Briggs, dated August Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Two, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth day of September, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Two, in the office of Recorder of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45 at Page number 18, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lots numbered Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), and Sixteen (16) feet off the West side of lot number Thirteen (13), all in Block number Forty-Four (44) of McCoy and Tanner's Eighth Addition to the city of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1923

between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. of said day, sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Postoffice in the town or city of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING,
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TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by Fred P. Howden and his wife, Eleanor Howden, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, and recorded on the second day of March, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Three, in the office of Recorder of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in book number 45 at page number 23, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lots Four (4) and Five (5) in Block number Nine (9) in McCoy and Tanner's Second Addition to the town or city of Sikeston, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust, having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

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Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Fred M. Mirly, single and unmarried, by his certain Deed of Trust dated the first day of July, 1917 and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 37 pages 171-2-3 conveyed to Louis Breiling and the St. Louis Union Trust Company all his right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

All of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) Section Eleven (Sec. 11), Township Twenty-Eight North (Twp. 28 N.) Range Fourteen East (14E.) containing, according to Government Survey One Hundred and Sixty acres (160 A.) more or less.

And, whereas, said deed of trust provided that in case the said Louis Breiling and The St. Louis Union Trust Company refused to act as trustees if foreclosure became necessary, that the undersigned Sheriff of Scott County Missouri should succeed to all their rights as such trustees and should act as substitute trustee.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of one certain promissory note in said deed described, and the performance of certain stipulated conditions therein contained, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, and whereas the stipulated conditions have been breached, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at door of the Court House in the town of Benton, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on SATURDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1924, between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

WILLIAM KIRKENDALL,
Sheriff of Scott County,
Acting Trustee.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1923

Piles

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All Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of ITCHING, BLIND, BLEEDING or PROTRUDING PILES. Cures ordinary cases in 6 days, the worst cases in 14 days.

PAZO OINTMENT instantly Relieves ITCHING PILES and you can get restful sleep after the first application. 60c.

ACTIVITIES OF CITY UNDER MAYOR FELKER

Two years ago this coming April, after the election was over, many of our business men keenly watched the running or management of our City by our young and new Mayor, C. E. Felker. In viewing the situation they soon was able to see that the management of the City was placed in the hands of a young fellow who was thoroughly qualified to fill the place well and one that was not afraid to do things.

Mayor Felker took hold of the reigns as mayor, full of pep and fully determined that Sikeston should have a good administration during his period as mayor. After the new mayor got into office, he carefully selected his councilmen for chairmanship of each committee and placed them to work on each committee. Mayor Felker only selected one man to the committee and informed this member that the success or failure of his committee rested entirely up to him.

After getting lined out the new City Dads purchased new street graders and equipment for the working force of the city placed them in their hands and put them to work. The editor will say right here that there has been more work done on our streets in the past two years than he has been able to see since being in Sikeston. The out streets get bad however, and are mighty hard to hold up under the heavy traffic during the rainy weather.

During Mayor Felker's term, the editor has noted very carefully, the interest and co-operation the mayor has given to the Chamber of Commerce, Lion Club, Fair Directors, Woman's Club and other organizations.

During the past two years we will say that our hat is off to this administration for the harmony they have had with the City. The City officials have been strictly in accord with each other. There has been no fussing or quarreling in the City Council whatever.

The City Council and mayor have met with the sole purpose of working out things for the City and have done it without any strife. To this splendid co-operaton we give much credit to the mayor for his management of affairs.

During the past two years we have been able to see some of the outstanding features accomplished. Among them the cleaning up, painting etc., of our Public Building, the City Hall. In the City Cemetery, the city has placed hard driveways so that you can get through in the bad weather and this cemetery is one of the best kept to be found in this part of the State. The City has done much to keep up our City Parks under the chairmanship of John Russell and out by the ice plant and water tower, the City has placed a park that in years to come will be a credit to our town. The City has placed greeting signs to the outskirts of the city and marked off our streets with white paint for auto parking. In the shoe factory boom, the City has aided to the limit. In addition to the co-operating to the fullest on this the City has placed in the sewer for the shoe factory and placed in a large water line with fire hydrants at quite a large expense to the City. Along this line we will say that we find that this administration has very successfully managed the finances of the City. After all the expense the City has been placed to in the cost of the shoe factory and other matters, the City has not had to borrow one penny from any other fund of the City during Mayor Felker's term. This is something that has not been done by any other administration lately. The City has successfully gotten through the State Service Commission an order for three railroad crossings that are very badly needed. One at the South end of Moore Avenue, that will open up the new shoe factory addition, one on South Ranney that goes by the new Russell Implement buildnig, and one by the South part of the Fair Grounds, also opens up the colored district.

Mayor Felker informs us that he has recently had the Missouri Inspection Bureau Department here in the interest of Sikeston, getting a better fire insurance rating. The City's large water pump has been standing in the way of Sikeston getting a fourth class rating instead of a four and one-half that we now have. TheBureau tested out the pump last week for this new rating.

The City has very successfully handled the light plant situation and have managed to get a better rate for our people during the past two years.

The City has also employed engineers for a survey, cost, etc., for a large sewer system for Sikeston and plan on offering bonds at an early date for an up-to-date sewer system for our town that is so badly needed. The mayor states after this goes through that the City is then ready to give the people the improvements they are asking for in paved streets, etc. The town needs to be wide awake to her possibilities. Needs white ways down in our business section. Sikeston can be made the leading town in this part of the country, if her good boosters will just be wide awake to her possibilities.

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An Appreciation of Your Gift to Us

You have given us a priceless gift—one that enabled us to build this business to what it is at the present for without YOUR CONFIDENCE we would not enjoy the business we have today. To merit this confidence and to serve you better is our hope and desire. To know that we enjoy your confidence and friendship has raised this business above a place to merely sell merchandise, and has made it an institution built upon a foundation of service.

Your Confidence---

Is the greatest asset this business has. We thank you for all past favors and wish you the joys of the Yuletide season and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Farmers Supply Company
HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

1924

$250 FOR ONE DAY'S WORK FOR STATE PAID BY MISTAKE

Jefferson City, December 24.—The State of Missouri is indeed generous when it pays a day laborer $250 for one day of his time, valuable even as has become the efforts of those who work with their hands. H. C. Newcome, a resident of Riscoe, New Madrid county, got a draft for that amount December 4 from the State for having worked one day for the State Highway Department on a project in his home neighborhood. He put the money into circulation pronto and when the State discovered that Newcome ought to have received only $2.50, the beneficiary of this unintentional Christmas spirit had only $37 of the money left. Sorrowfully he surrendered that to Frank B. Newton, division highway engineer for Southeast Missouri.

Newton discovered the error when he handed out the State Treasurer's drafts with which highway department payrolls are met. He telegraphed to Jefferson City, where the drafts were issued, and the treasurer's office checked it back to the State auditor's force. There is was found that a jacket clerk in transferring the amount of Newcome's voucher to the jacket from which an auditor's warrant is issued, had amplified the $2.50 into $250. The warrant was issued for the larger amount and the treasurer's clerks issued a draft upon that basis. Newcome cashed his draft at the Bank of Parma, at Parma, and so far the bank is holding the sack, payment having been stopped by the state on the draft. The State doubtwill have to pay the bank, eventually and collect its money from Newcome.

One out of every five fatal accidents in the United States in 1922 was due to careless operation of motor vehicles, according to a bureau of the United States Chamber of Commerce. In 1922 more than 14,000 persons lost their lives in traffic accidents.

That anthracite coal operators be taxed according to the advantage they take of the public in charging margins on actual cost of fuel, has been recommended to Congress by the Coal Commission. It was urged that taxes fall lightly on the low-profit operator and more heavily on the high profit operator. The Commission found that profits were mounting and that there had been a large increase in the value of the mines.

PRIZE WINNERS IN BAKING CONTEST

Saturday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 were the hours and the Scott County Milling Co. lobby was the place where one of the sweetest meeting that has ever been held in Sikeston was held. It was the occasion of a cake and biscuit baking contest with the use of Juanita Baking Powder and Juanita Flour. Both the participants and the cakes come under the above compliment. Something over 60 entries were made in the contest and the exhibits drew great crowds of interested folks from Sikeston and vicinity.

The prize winners in the baking contest were:

Cake—1st, Mrs. T. F. Henry, $10; 2nd, Mrs. Tessie Lee, $5; 3rd, Mrs. Harry Dover, $4; 4, Mrs. M. L. Griffith, $3; 5th, Mrs. Frank Sikes, $2; 6, Mrs. L. E. Allard, $1.

Biscuit—1st, Mrs. Earl Malone, $5; 2nd, Mrs. Jake Taylor, $4; 3rd, Mrs. C. A. Cook, $3; 4th, Mrs. Elmos Taylor, $2; 5th, Miss Josephine Robinson, $1.00.

High School prizes: Light cake—1st, Miss Sarah Malone, $5; 2nd, Miss Forrest Carter, $4; 3rd, Miss Imogene Wright, $3; 4th, Miss Ara Jones, $2.

Dark cake—1st, Miss Sara Malone, $5; 2nd, Miss Camille Hill, $4; 3rd, Miss Forrest Carter, $3; 4th, Miss Dorris Gilbert $2.

Honorable mention (each receiving a 6-lb. sack of Juanita flour): Cake—Miss Dorris Gilbert, Mrs. Edgar Moll, Mrs. Mrs. Frank Sikes, Mrs. Warrick White, Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Mrs. A. J. McKinney, Mrs. R. Bone, Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Mrs. W. H Watkins, Mrs. A. B. Proffer, Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Mrs. C. B. Johnson, Mrs. C. B. Johnson, Mrs. M. S. Griffith, Mrs. Tom Malone, Mrs. J. A. Barber, Miss Elsie Moore, Mrs. E. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Randol Wilson, Miss Burnice Tanner, Miss Myra Tanner, Mrs. C. F. Bruton.

Biscuits—Miss Velma Pearman, Mrs. F. E. Jones, Mrs. Edgar Moll, Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mrs. Frank Sikes, Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Mrs. J. A. Barber and Mrs. Amos Buchanan.

Mrs. A. M. Dyke, president of the American committee for relief in the devastated region in France, has been elected a foreign member of the Acadmy of Agriculture.

It Has Been a Pleasure For Us to Serve You

We take this method of expressing our thanks to the citizens of this community for the business entrusted to us this year, and to assure you it has been a pleasure to serve you.

Accept our sincere wish for a New Year to Your Liking.

Sikestan Cleaning and Tailoring Co.
Three Doors East of Marshall Hotel
PHONE 223

It Has Been Our Experience

That Friendship in Business Counts for Much.

And We Are Grateful for Yours.

Let Us Wish You a Real, Happy, Contented Prosperous New Year.

Eagle Drug Store
C. C. WHITE J. E. WHITE

The Jews and Christmas

The logic of "Christmas" giving and wishing, as far as Jewish people are concerned, is simple. Christmas gifts or greetings, going from Jewish individuals to their non-Jewish fellowmen and women—are perfectly in place. Christmas gifts or greetings, coming from Christian friends to Jewish folk, are graciously welcome. Beyond ths, Christmas gifts and wishes become inappropriated. For Jewish people to greet other Jewish folk with "Merry Christmas" is either a sacrilege or an absurdity, for the religious meaning of the day forbids that form of use. Happily, Christmas is gradually losing the narrow theological and gaining the great humanitarian significance of general good-will. The question of the virgin birth is causing much discord in the ranks of Christian ministers today. We need not add fuel to it by asserting Jewish inability to subscribe to the doctrine. Yet the vrgin birth is what the Christmas festival chefly commemorates, in its sectarian symbolism. In the religious sense the Jew is separated from the Christian in the Christmas festival. In the sense of fellowship, of "peace on earth, good will to men"—no one is more in harmony in happy unity with all his Christian brethren than the Jew.—The Modern View.

Sports costumes for the girl who likes cold weath are examples of crocheting at its greatest splendor. Bright reds, blues, and greens, these crocheted costumes have a satisfactorily warm and heavy look without even hinting at unwieldiness.

That's What Old Caesar Did.

From the Kansas City Journal-Post.

When Caesar took a westward ride
And grabbed the Gauls for Rome,
What was the first thing that he did
To make them feel at home?
Did he increase the people's loads,
And liberty forbid?
No; he dug in and built good roads—
That's what old Caesar did.

Did Caesar put the iron heel
Upon the foemen's breast,
Or did he try to make them feel
That Rome rule was the best?
What did he do to make them glad
As he came their lands amid?
He built good roads, in place of bad—
That's what old Caesar did.

He built good roads from hill to hill,
Good roads from vale to vale:
He ran a good roads movement
Till Rome got all the kale;
He told the folks to buy at home.
Build roads their ruts to rid,
Until all roads led up to Rome—
That's what old Caesar did.

If any town would make itself
The center of the map,
Where folks will come and settle down
And live in plenty's lap;
If any town its own abodes
Of poverty would rid,
Let it go out and build good roads—
Just as old Caesar did.

—Anonymous.

SHERIFF'S POSSE TAKES TWO STILLS

Last Tuesday night Sheriff Roscoe Walker accompanied by Tom Jenkins, Bob McDougal of Bernie, Clay Burnes, Ransom Scism and Judge C. A. Crane, captured two big whiskey stills a short ways above the head of Clines Island. They were located about a mile apart. The largest of the stills was on the bank of Beaver Pond, the other was a mile further north.

A big tent that sheltered the mash barrels was destroyed along with the mash barrels and boxes. There were 56 barrels of mash; 5 bushels of corn meal; 600 pounds of sugar and 70 gallons of the finished product.

Abert Morris was arrested when he showed up at one of the stills between 3 and 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. Morris indignantly denied to the officers that he had anything to do with the operation of the stills. He said he merely came to get some of the swill to take home for his wife to make bread. He said he used it instead of buttermilk.

There will probably be other arrests follow as a result of this raid—Bloomfield Vindicator.

CONSIDERATION OF TAX REVISION POSTPONED

Washington, December 21.—Consideration of the tax revision program was suspended by the House Ways and Means Committee tonight until after the first of the year, but Chairman Green indicated a report on the administrative features, which have been under discussion, would be made January 10. This would clear the way for consideration of soldiers' bonus legislation, under the program agreed upon by the committee.

Considerable discussion arose in an executive meeting of the committee today over proposed changes in the capital assets feature of the present tax law, whereby gains on capital transactions, including stock dividends, would be taxed under the income provision rather than on the present basis of 12½ per cent on capital gains. The working out of such a change, if found feasible, would be placed in the hands of Treasury experts.

While the entire committee will not meet again until January 3, Chairman Green will confer with a subcommittee in the meantime on some of the technical features under discussion.

No major legislation is expected to be taken before the House until the new rules have been adopted. On January 14, the thirty-day period ends, under which the House has agreed to operate by the old rules. The rules and the administrative section of the tax bill will probably be given rfist consideration on the legislative program to be adopted by the Republican conference. Bonus legislation and income tax revision would then follow, under present plans.

Nine per cent of the corn acreage of Missouri, yielding 17¼ million bushels, will be harvested by animals this season, it is estimated. Probably the crop on 447,000 acres will be put in silos and 84 per cent of the state's crop will be husked out as ear corn. The production for 1923, it is estimated, will total nearly 192 million bushels, an average of 30 bushels an acre.

In 1921, Mrs. Michael Salso, wife of an Italian workman in New York City, gave birth to quadruplets. Just recently she became the mother of triplets.

1924 GREETINGS

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We come at the dawn of the New Year with a few words of appreciation for your splendid good will and patronage during 1923.

May 1924 hold a full measure of happiness and prosperity for each of you is our wish.

LOUIS C. ERDMANN

for Economical Transportation
CHEVROLET

SUPPLEMENT TO

The Sikeston Standard

December 28, 1923

Screen Scrapbook

WEEKLY PROGRAM, MALONE THEATRE

"There Are Three Things I Will Fight For—the Heart, the Cross and the Crown," Says Don Caesar

Don Caesar's creditors rouse him out of bed

(Above). You can imagine the gigantic scale upon which "The Spanish Dancer" has been filmed

The spirit of romantic old Spain lives again in this colorful tale of Love

Just as "The Covered Wagon" made James Cruze, Herbert Brenon has become famous through directing "The Spanish Dancer"

(Left). The scene in which Don Caesar (Tony Moreno) is granted his life on condition he marries a masked bride

(Above). The authors of "The Two Orphans" wrote "The Spanish Dancer." June Mathis and Beulah Marie Dix adapted it to the screen

(Below). Maritana (Pola Negri) stops the duel between Don Caesar (Tony Moreno) and the King (Wallace Beery)

"The Spanish Dancer" is, beyond a doubt, the greatest film hit since "The Covered Wagon"

Adventure, thrills, the scandals of a profligate Spanish court and a brand-new Pola Negri—all in "The Spanish Dancer"

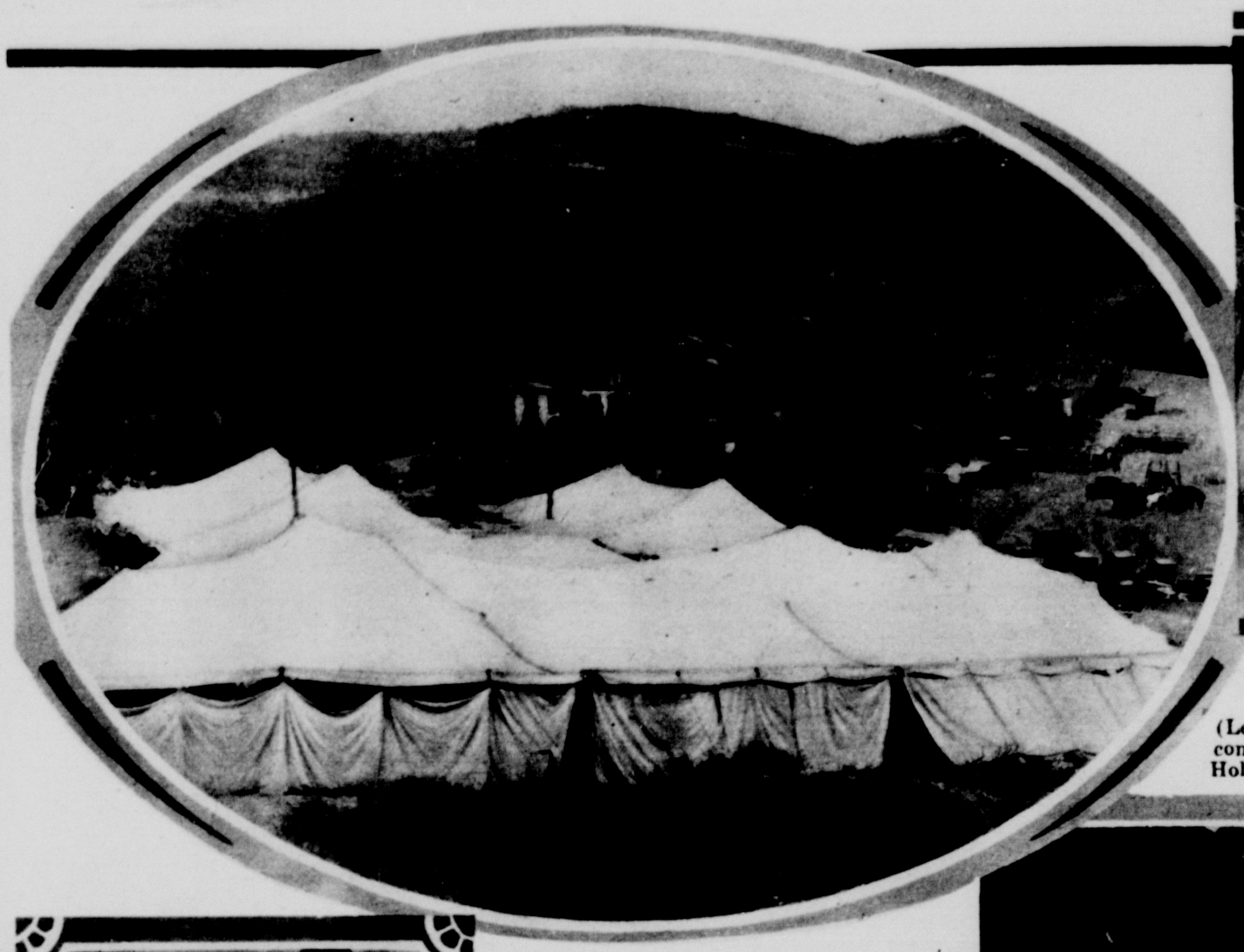
Pola Negri's Gypsy Role in "The Spanish Dancer" Suggested This Fortune-Telling Game to Her

POLA NEGRI
Fortune-Telling Game

You can entertain your friends and yourself by playing this game, invented by Pola Negri. Cut out the cards on this page. Mount them on pasteboard if you like. Shuffle them. Hold them out to the person whose fortune you want to tell, backs facing them, and have them select a card. The card contains their fortune, told by Pola Negri

The famous painting of Pola Negri by the famous Polish artist, Tade Styka, exhibited in New York and now in possession of the star ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

The Romantic Spirit of Old Spain Lives Again Through the Magic of the Modern Motion Picture



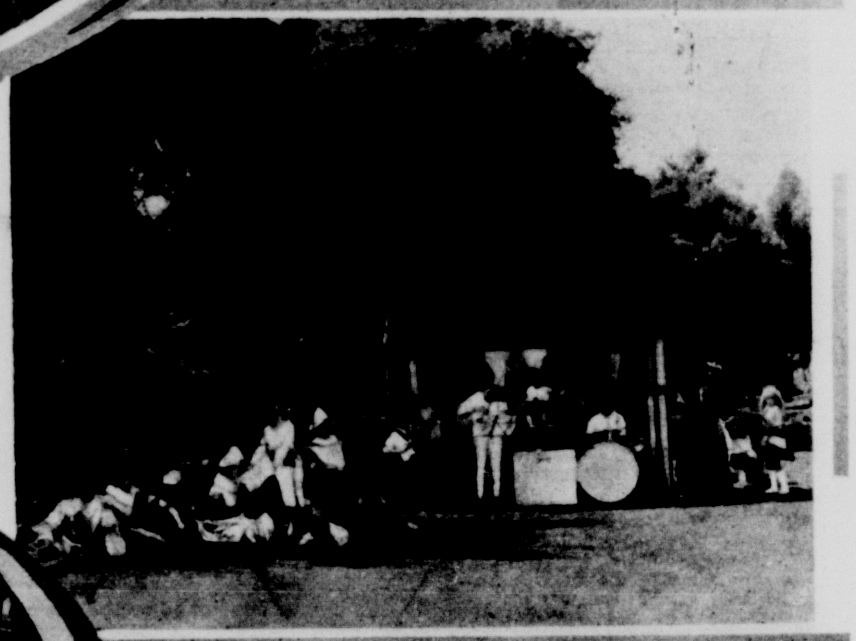
(Above). Two stars, Pola Negri and William T. Tilden, 2d, American tennis champion

(Left). A whole Spanish city was constructed in the mountains outside Hollywood for "The Spanish Dancer"

Behind the scenes with Pola Negri and "The Spanish Dancer" players

(Above). The world's largest candle, built for scenes in "The Spanish Dancer"

(Below). If you've ever tried to dress a child you know what a job Pola Negri is having



(Above). The film players like music with their reels. Here are the Spanish musicians who furnished special melodies while Pola danced the fandango

(Left). Pola, stepping from her limousine for the day's work, is greeted by her director, Herbert Brenon

When Pola Negri goes wading she has lots of assistance. The gallant lad holding the star's booties is Tony Moreno

A Host of Your Favorite Players Appear in Support of Pola Negri in Her Latest and Greatest Picture

Pola Negri as Maritana, the Spanish Dancer

(Below) Wallace Beery as King Philip IV of Spain

(Above) Robert Agnew as Dib, Maritana's gypsy lover

(Left) Andre Lenoi as Velasquez, the famous painter

Charles Stevenson as the Cardinal's Ambassador

Gareth Hughes as Lazarillo, devoted to Maritana

Adolphe Menjou as Don Salluste, the King's Favorite

(Above) Pola in another phase of her varied role

(Right) Kathlyn Williams as Queen Isabella of Spain

Antonio Moreno as Don Caesar de Bazan, lover of Maritana

It's the Fiery, Colorful Pola Negri of Old That You'll See in Her New Picture, "The Spanish Dancer"

The thrilling fight in the Square of the Galloping Charger

The King's favorite (Adolphe Menjou) makes secret love to the Queen of Spain (Kathlyn Williams)

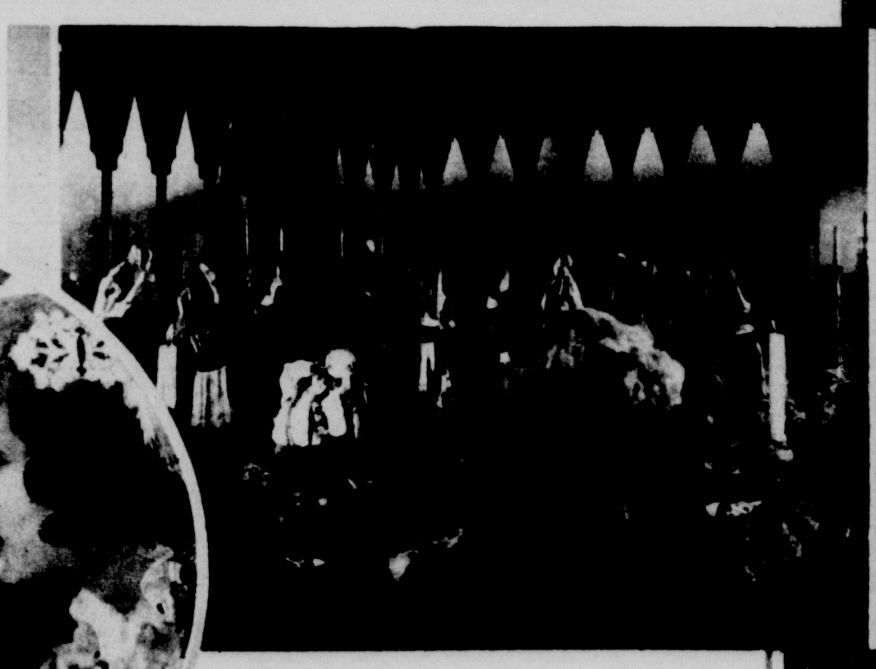
This scene in the picture is not without its humor, as you'll find when you see "The Spanish Dancer"

You'll love this Pola Negri—the quick-tempered, passionate gypsy girl who "vamps" the King of Spain

"The Spanish Dancer" is Pola Negri's most lavish American production

Love at first sight—the gypsy dancer returns the young gallant's purse, but she doesn't give back his heart

(Below). It's the story of the love-adventures of pretty Maritana (Pola) and courageous Don Caesar (Tony Moreno)



(Below). Pola Negri shows herself a marvelously graceful dancer as well as a great actress

The settings of "The Spanish Dancer" rank with the most artistic and expensive ever shown upon the screen

(Right). One of Pola Negri's chief recreations is her piano, of which she is a talented student

(Below). Manuel Alonso, Spanish tennis star, explains to Antonio Moreno, also Spanish, the value of outdoor sport in cultivating health and vigor

Some flowers, an easy chair, an assortment of the newest magazines—and Pola is happy

(Left). "Here's to the light lunch that keeps a busy man healthy," toasts Tony Moreno with milk

(Below). Robert Agnew, famous juvenile actor, can also act the role of the well-dressed man

We Wish You a Happy and Prosperous New Year

MALONE THEATRE

Week of January 1st

MONDAY & TUESDAY

The Perfect Picture

POLA NEGRI AND ANTONIO MORENO in

"THE SPANISH DANCER"

Here's Pola Negri in the kind of character part that made her famous. In an American-made production a thousand times bigger than all her other pictures combined. You won't know what real screen entertainment is 'til you've seen vital, flashing La Belle Negri as a Gypsy dancing girl in this romantic melodrama of Seventeenth Century Spain—A Paramount picture. Made to the highest known standard without regard to cost. Here are the most gigantic sets you've ever seen.

Also Comedy—"ROLLING STONES" and NEWS **Admission 20c & 40c**

WEDNESDAY

VIOLA DANA in

"CRINOLINE AND ROMANCE"

If grandma were young, could she compete against the flapper?

Also NEWS **Admission 10c & 20c**

THURSDAY

Junior Orpheum Vaudeville---3 Acts

Cooper & Shaw—Singing, Dancing and Piano. Jones & Hamilton—Southern Breezes. Semon—The Human Fish.

ANTONIO MORENO & PAULINE STARK

"LOST AND FOUND"

Also MOVIE CHAT **Admission 25c & 50c**

FRIDAY

"DON'T CALL IT LOVE"

with AGNES AYRES, JACK HOLT, NITA NALDI, THEODORE KISLOFF & ROD LA ROCQUE.

Two women loved him—one a sweet everyday girl, the other a fascinating opera singer. Which did he choose? And was it love that decided the choice? Don't miss this deluxe drama of tangled hearts, society splendor and gorgeous love-making.

Also Comedy and MUTT & JEFF **Admission 10c and 30c**

SATURDAY

WILLIAM S. HART in

"WILD BILL HICKOK"

His latest production based on facts of early days. Also episode 5 of "THUNDERBOLT JACK". MATINEE 3:00 Admision 10c & 20c

COMING: "HIS CHILDREN'S CHILDREN"

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